

To affiliate with the Department of North Carolina American Legion JSSP fill out the form linked below. **Return to: The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN, 46206**

You have to be affiliated with the National JSSP to be an affiliated member of the Department of North Carolina American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program.

[Junior Shooting Sports Program affiliate form](#)

http://www.legion.org/documents/legion/pdf/jss_affiliate_form.pdf

Point of Contact for the Department of North Carolina JSSP will be the current Chairman of the Junior Shooting Sports Program Committee.

Resources:

<http://www.legion.org/shooting/resources>

Civilian Marksmanship Program

888-267-0796

www.thecmp.org

National Rifle Association

800-621-7615

programs.nra.org

National Safety Council

800-621-7615

www.nsc.org

USA Shooting

719-578-4670

www.usashooting.com

The American Legion

317-630-1200

www.legion.org/shooting

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**AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA
JUNIOR SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAM**

**What is the Department of North Carolina American Legion
Junior Shooting Sports Program (JSSP)?**

The Department of North Carolina JSSP is modeled after the National Program and provides similar content as the National Program. The program emphasize safe firearms handling and provides postal competitions for those individuals, 18 years of age and younger (or high school seniors no older than 20) are welcome, within the State of North Carolina sponsored by and/or affiliated with a Department of North Carolina American Legion Post.

The program goals are to provide an opportunity for young people to learn firearms safety and basic marksmanship. To introduce the shooting sports to community members and educate them about shooting. To provide shooting competitions for existing and beginning shooting programs. To use the shooting sports as a vehicle to help young people develop discipline, concentration, sportsmanship, and responsibility.

The Department of North Carolina American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program is governed by the rules outlined in the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle RuleBook. For a copy go to: <http://thecmp.org/air/national-standard-three-position-air-rifle-rules>



Perspective on the Shooting Sports.

Today, the shooting sports are an important recreational activity in America. Nearly 70 million people own firearms, with over half of all U.S. households containing at least one firearm. Tens of thousands of competitors participate in matches from neighborhood tournaments to the Olympic Games. More than 20 million hunting licenses are issued annually in the United States generating vast sums for the conservation of wildlife and wildlife habitat.

Marksmanship is a proud part of our State and National Heritage. Skilled American riflemen have played a deciding role in all of our Nation's wars and conflicts.

There is call for expert marksmen in the exciting sport of competitive shooting. In recent years the United States has been a dominant force in international shooting competition.

Competitive marksmanship does not require great physical size or strength. Even though physical fitness and stamina are important, mental qualities determine whether a shooter will ever become a champion. Being able to concentrate completely on a task and being able to relax under pressure are two keys to success.

What is Shooting?

Shooting is a skill sport, a participation sport, an Olympic sport, a safe sport, a lifetime sport, and a sport for girls and boys.

How to start a Junior Shooting Sports Club at your Post

1. Determine Your Goals 2. Identify Leaders 3. Get Insured 4. Select Facilities 5. Fund Your Program 6. Recruit Participants 7. Promote the Program 8. Expand For more information on these items go to:
<http://www.legion.org/publications/229402/junior-shooting-sports-how-start-club>

Competitions:

The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program encourages marksmanship and gun safety education for junior high and high school age youth. As part of the program, The Department of North Carolina American Legion JSSP will conduct a State Air Rifle Championship Tournament, which provides competitors an opportunity to test their marksmanship ability in competition with other shooters throughout North Carolina. The most current National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules will govern the Match.

Shooters must be in a club that is affiliated with an American Legion Post in the Department of North Carolina. If shooter is **NOT** an North Carolina resident, a non-compete statement will be required. **Clarification:** A shooter that is a member of an North Carolina American Legion Shooting Team, cannot compete in another state under The American Legion JSSP. For all other competitions, see Rule No.3.2.6 of the 2014 – 2016 National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules.

Department of North Carolina JSSP members desiring to compete at the National level will have to affiliate with and order target sets from the National JSSP. Department of North Carolina State Champions can not move forward to the National level competitions due to the fact that all Departments do not have a JSSP. The National JSSP does not feel that it would be fair to include an athlete from North Carolina who could possibly score below the final cut of the qualification round postal competition, which determines the fifteen athletes in the Sporter and Precision categories to compete in the National Championship.