



SPARTAN CLAY BUSTERS, INC.
YOUTH TRAP TEAM
Athlete Rules and Guidelines

Please read through the following rules and guidelines, sign and date the bottom of the second page and return along with the other registration paperwork.

Expectations - **ZERO TOLERANCE**: If there is any violation of the safety rules, an athlete will be asked to leave the practice or competition immediately.

Athletes are expected to show good sportsmanship and respect coaches and adult volunteers at all times.

- First offense – The athlete receives a verbal warning.
- Second offense – The athlete is asked to leave the practice or competition.
- Third offense – A meeting is held with the athlete, the coaches, and the athlete's parents to discuss the athlete's future with the team.

When a coach or parent volunteer is speaking to the team, the athlete is expected to be a part of the discussion. If the athlete refuses to gather with the team, or is continually disruptive, the athlete will be asked to leave practice.

Attendance - Practice will begin promptly at the designated time. Athletes are expected to arrive 15 minutes early so they may be ready to shoot at the designated time.

Attendance during the Conference competition season is very important. If an athlete must miss a Conference shoot, the athlete should let a coach know at least one week prior to the planned absence. Athletes are able to shoot the week prior and bank the score for the week that they will be absent.

Safety Requirements – Anyone on the shooting field, including all athletes and coaches, must wear eye and ear protection.

A shell catcher is required for any athlete shooting a semi-automatic gun.

The use of toe pads is forbidden, and it is a violation for the athlete to rest the muzzle of the gun their foot. Violation of this rule may be grounds for disqualification of the athlete in a competition.

Appropriate Dress – Athletes are expected to know and follow the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) dress code as outlined in the [SCTP Official Handbook](#). The team shirt is the athlete's uniform. If an athlete is dressed inappropriately while at the home gun club, the athlete will be sent home to change and expected to return. If an athlete is dressed inappropriately at a competition away from the home gun club, the athlete will be sent home and, therefore, disqualified. Athletes are required to wear their team shirt at all competitions.

Additional Fees - If an athlete commits to a competition and does not attend, the athlete is required to reimburse the team the registration fee. Reimbursement of the fee must be made by the athlete prior to participation in any further competitions. NO EXCEPTIONS.

If payment is returned due to non-sufficient funds the athlete or the athlete's parent will be notified and required to pay a \$25 NSF Fee.

By signing this form, the athlete and the athlete's parent are acknowledging understanding of, and agreement to, follow the rules and guidelines set forth by the [SCTP](#) and Spartan Clay Busters, Inc.

Athlete's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date

PHOTO DISCLAIMER

If you would like to specify one of the exclusions below, please initial the appropriate box **ONLY IF YOU DO NOT WISH FOR YOUR ATHLETE'S PHOTO OR PERSONAL INFORMATION TO APPEAR ON THE CLAY BUSTERS' OR HOPE ROD & GUN CLUB'S WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK PAGE.**

In the course of the season, groups of athletes are occasionally videotaped or photographed in situations which are relative the sport of trap shooting.

The resulting photo or videotape may be used in a variety of ways: to promote SCTP, Spartan Clay Busters, or Hope Rod & Gun Club; to instruct athletes, coaches, or volunteers; or to orient new athletes, coaches, or volunteers. The final product could also take a variety of forms: photo displays, presentations, newspaper or online articles, pamphlets, or video programs.

_____Disclaimer #1: I **DO NOT** grant permission for my athlete's photo or video, which may include the athlete's first name and last initial, to be published on an athletic, classroom, club, business partner, or family website.

_____Disclaimer #2 I **DO NOT** grant permission for my athlete's photo and first and last name to be used in SCTP, Spartan Clay Busters, Hope Rod & Gun Club, or other local or regional newspaper, magazine, newsletter or online articles.

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