

**Walla Walla Gun Club – Youth Trap & Skeet Team  
Information & Consent Form**

Thanks for your interest in joining Walla Walla Gun Club's championship Youth Trap & Skeet Team. Membership is open to all young people who are enrolled fulltime in a recognized learning institution, who will be in the sixth to the twelfth grades on September 1.

Please fill out the information below, and let us know who you are, what your experience level in the shooting sports has been, and what you are looking to accomplish as a member of our youth shooting team. We have provided you with much detailed information about our program on the back of this sheet, which will answer a lot of your questions in advance. We very much encourage you and your parents to read it carefully. More information can be found on WWGC's website, <http://wallawallagunclub.com>, or by calling 541-969-7913.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellphone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe your previous shooting experience with rifles, pistols, or shotguns: \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever shot competitively before? If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you own your own shotgun, or have one available to use? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_. If so please let us know

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model (number, name): \_\_\_\_\_ Gauge: \_\_\_\_\_

Action type (pump, semi-auto, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently or do you plan to become involved in school sports or any other activities that would interfere with youth shooting team practice on Sundays? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_. If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you read page two, and do you think you can be a good team member? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_.

Thanks for your interest in our shooting team. Please give this sheet to WWGC's Secretary, or mail to WWGC, PO Box 133, WW WA 99362. Email to [info@wallawallagunclub.com](mailto:info@wallawallagunclub.com).

## **Some Important Information For Parents and Athletes About Walla Walla Gun Club – Youth Trap & Skeet Team**

1. This is a team program. It is NOT an individual participation program. That is, each member of the team is expected to work for the betterment of the team as well as for him- or herself. This involves coming to practice on time, each time, and working hard all the time. Good behavior is required always.
2. This shooting team is conducted in the same way as any varsity school sport. Attendance, attitude, effort, and sportsmanship are high qualities that are required at all times. This is definitely not a casual or purely recreational shooting experience.
3. All athletes and parents agree to abide by coaches' instructions at all times. While parents are greatly encouraged to attend practices, and help with scoring, pulling and other duties, parents must not interfere with the coaches during any team activity, including arguing with, second-guessing, or instructing their athlete without getting permission from his/her squad coach. For safety and many other reasons, we run a tight ship.
4. No prior shooting experience is necessary, and WWGC has shotguns available for our youth team athletes if they do not have one. You may use your own shotgun provided it conforms to our requirements. For instance, we do NOT allow shotguns designed for military, law enforcement or home defense use, which have one or more of these features: extended magazines, pistol grips, collapsible stocks, non-choked barrels, barrels shorter than 24 inches, or optical sights. Only 12 ga. or 20 ga. shotguns are permitted to be used.
5. The shooting year begins in the middle of August and concludes in the middle of July. Mandatory practices are suspended during December, January and the first part of February, however athletes are encouraged to join WWGC and participate in WWGC's winter activities.
6. The goal of our program is NOT to win matches or prizes. Our goal is CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT, in both shooting skills and life skills. We teach and coach both things equally and continuously.
7. Team members are expected to contact the head coach prior to any absence from practice or team activity. We do NOT allow unexcused absences. That said, family obligations are a high priority for our organization, so they would naturally be excused as long as they were not frequent. Other important events are also excused, but the operating word is that they must be "infrequent."
8. Team practices involve classroom discussions and demonstrations as well as shooting practice, during which the skill taught or demonstrated in the classroom discussion is practiced and coached. It is therefore not practical to "make up" missed practices because the classroom discussion cannot easily be reproduced.
9. Our coaching staff is composed of four or more very dedicated coaches with many years of shooting and shooting team experience. We work for nothing more than a kind word now and again. We ask all athletes and parents to please remind themselves of this when they consider giving unconstructive criticism of the way the team is operated. Of course, constructive suggestions are a blessing to any organization, and help us serve you better. They are solicited from athletes and parents at all times, and much appreciated. Most constructive suggesters become our newest volunteer doers.
10. Walla Walla Gun Club's shooting team is made up of three very important sub-teams. First team is the athletes, second is the coaching staff, and third is the parent support group. The parent support group is responsible for some of the fundraising, as well as doing some scorekeeping, athlete transportation, and other assistance to the coaching staff. WWGC provides a board member who acts as the Parent Support Group Coordinator. This person calls parent meetings, and coordinates

team activities with the coaches and parents. Parent involvement is vital to the success of our team, and all parents or guardians are expected to help out whenever they can. In short, WWGC Youth Trap & Skeet Team=Athletes+Coaches+Parents.

11. Our team is not government or state funded. We are a private group which relies on some benefactor support, some government grants, and mostly on our team's fundraising activities.
12. Walla Walla Gun Club's fundraising activities generally provide for all clay targets used during competitive shoots and team practices. Athletes must provide their own ammunition for each practice, however ammo for competitions is generally provided free to participants.
13. However, while targets and coaching are provided FREE, getting them is NOT effortless. Each team member is expected to take part in all fundraising activities, which usually consist of two or three raffles each year, and working at WWGC shoots as scorekeepers and trap fillers. That all athletes should work for at least a little of what they get is an important character building effort. Anyone who does not fulfill his/her fundraising responsibility will be asked to make up any deficiencies in cash before being allowed to continue with the team.
14. Organized competitive shoots for the team occur both at Walla Walla Gun Club's shooting range, and out of town. Some of the out of town events require over-night accommodations. These activities usually occur on weekends, and are more frequent in the spring and summer. Please be sure your schedule will permit the highest priority for our team's competitive shoots. These shoots are well known and well publicized in advance, and are the main reason for this team's hard work. Thus, there are generally no excused absences from any shoot, except for dire emergency of course.
15. Because practice is so important to good results, ours should be considered a year-'round team activity.

Athletes and Parents must sign this sheet, signifying that you understand all of the above provisions, that you will abide by coaches' instructions at all times, and that you agree with all of the items listed above.

PARENT(S): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ATHLETE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Disclaimer**

The Walla Walla Gun Club welcomes you. As a new member or guest, you will want to know our policies and procedures. Please read the below information carefully, and sign and date this Disclaimer notice. No one will be admitted to membership or any organized function without a signed Disclaimer sheet on file. By signing below, you certify that you have been made aware of the following list of conditions.

Walla Walla Gun Club does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of race, creed, sex, or national origin.

Walla Walla Gun Club only accepts members, guests, and participants who are of sound mind and character, who are not legally disqualified from owning or using a firearm under the various State and Federal Laws governing such matters. Generally, if you have ever been convicted of a crime punishable by more than a year in jail, or have been convicted or are under investigation for a crime of violence, you are ineligible to be a member of Walla Walla Gun Club. By signing below, you swear you are not such a person and are legally permitted to own and use firearms.

Walla Walla Gun Club requires all shooters to abide by posted safety precautions, which include but are not limited to; no alcoholic beverages allowed at the shooting line at any time while shooting is going on; eye and ear protection required of everyone beyond the shooting line, including observers and bystanders; all firearms must be carried with actions open and unloaded, and must not be loaded until you are at your shooting post and it is your turn to shoot; and no pistols, rifles, or any metallic cartridge firearms are ever allowed to be fired at Walla Walla Gun Club.

You agree to hold Walla Walla Gun Club and its members and Directors harmless against any injury or death you may suffer as a result of accident of any kind while on the Gun Club premises.

I hereby certify that I have read and agree to the above conditions and exclusions.

Your Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Are You Signing For A Minor Child? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, Name of Minor Shooter(s): \_\_\_\_\_