



Air Gun Safety

Merit Requirements Checklist

The following merit requirements must be successfully completed for a boy to be awarded the official Royal Rangers Air Gun Safety merit award. Each requirement must be approved by the boy’s Group Leader or his designee. Content relating to each requirement may be found in the “Learning Air Gun Safety” section of this Air Gun Safety Merit Activity Guide.

#	Requirement	Leader’s Initials
1.	Explain why safety is important when handling air guns.	
2.	List and explain the 11 rules of shooting safety.	
3.	Identify the major parts of an air rifle and explain the purpose or function of each.	
4.	Explain the purpose of a safety mechanism on an air gun. Then locate the safety mechanism and demonstrate how to turn it on and off.	
5.	Demonstrate how to safely hold, carry, and pass an air rifle.	
6.	Discuss the different types of ammunition, actions, and propellant systems used in air guns and the differences between them.	
7.	Describe the equipment and materials commonly used when shooting air guns.	
8.	Draw a diagram of the layout of a safe air gun shooting range and explain the flow of traffic for shooters on the range.	
9.	Explain the role of the Shooting Range Supervisor at a shooting event.	
10.	Explain each of the following shooting range commands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Load b. Commence firing c. Cease firing 	
11.	Demonstrate the three-step shooting procedure for an air rifle – loading, shooting, and unloading.	
12.	Using the bench rest shooting position, demonstrate your ability to safely load, cock, and shoot an air rifle, hitting a target at least 10 yards away.	
	MERIT COMPLETED - Date:	

The Air Gun Safety merit award patch, representing the completion of this merit, may be purchased from MyHealthyChurch.com and worn on the official Royal Rangers awards vest. Visit RoyalRangers.com/uniforms for details.