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The National Shooting Sports Committee understands how disappointing the cancellation of the National Championship is for our families. After reviewing alternative dates and ways in which we might allow youth an opportunity to participate, the committee determined that the best and safest alternative was to cancel and begin fresh for 2021.

The committee considered its ability to extend age requirements. But due to the vast differences between each states' 4-H Policies, the committee determined that extending the age requirements could not be upheld consistently across the program. As to the question if youth who age out of 4-H in 2020 would be eligible to participate in the National Championships in 2021, the answer is, unfortunately, no.

Here is the age eligibility requirement statement:

Age Requirement - Participants must be 14 to 18 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 to compete at the 2021 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships.

Note: This age requirement established by National 4-H Headquarters applies to all National 4-H competitive events.

For State specific questions contact your State 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator. You can find their contact information at this link:  
[http://www.4-hshootingsports.org/state\\_contacts.php](http://www.4-hshootingsports.org/state_contacts.php)

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