Venturing Standards (excerpt from the Guide to Safe Scouting)

Venturers may participate in all activities previously listed for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and may participate in activities listed below:

HANDGUNS

1. Handgun use is limited to the Venturing program.
2. All pistol shooting activities must be supervised by a currently NRA -certified Pistol Instructor and when on the range, must be supervised by a currently NRA-certified Range Safety Officer.
3. When on the range, there must be a ratio of no more than three shooters per adult coach or instructor. The adult coaches or instructors must be close to the shooters for close supervision. The adult coaches/instructors must be supervised by the Range Safety Officer.

4. All participants must complete an NRA basic pistol marksmanship course prior to range firing.
5. With the approval of the local council, handgun shooting may be conducted on BSA camp ranges, provided the shooting is done under the supervision of a currently NRA-certified Range Safety Officer.

6. Shooting safety glasses and ear protection must be worn on pistol ranges.
7. Care must be taken to comply with federal, state, and local laws

RIFLES

1. Venturers may shoot all rifles.
2. All rifle shooting activities must be supervised by a currently NRA -certified Rifle Instructor and when on the range, must be supervised by a currently NRA-certified Range Safety Officer.

3. Shooting safety glasses and ear protection must be worn on rifle ranges.

4. Care must be taken to comply with federal, state, and local laws.