Wild Boar Certificate Assessments

All Candidates wishing to register for the Wild Boar Certificate must hold a Deer Stalking Certificate Level 1 certificate which includes the WGMH assessment for Large Game.

<u>A BLUE DSC1 or YELLOW DSC1 with a Lantra or FSA/NGO Wild game meat course or the Green DSC 1</u> certificate with the WGMH theory element.

The assessments for the certificate are arranged as follows:

Theory Assessment A multiple choice written paper of 50 questions drawn from a bank of questions. The assessment consists of multi-choice questions which are answered by the candidate circling the correct answer from four alternatives provided. The selected questions will be appropriate to the location, wild boar shooting and wild boar environment of the area.

There is no time limit for the written paper normally 30 minutes to one hour will suffice.

If a candidate fails the written paper s/he must re-sit a different paper. S/he may not re-sit the assessment on the same day as s/he failed the original theory assessment.

The pass mark for this test is 40/50 marks

Identification Assessment (Area 2) this visual assessment consists of ten photographic images, to be identified by age and sex.

Images are to be shown only once to the candidate during the assessment without time limit. There is no time limit for the visual paper; normally 20 to 30 minutes will suffice.

The pass mark for this test is 6/10 marks

If a candidate fails the visual paper s/he must re-sit a different paper. S/he may not re-sit the assessment on the same day as s/he failed the original visual assessment.

Shooting Assessment A range based practical shooting test; a series of shots at a wild boar target in three positions, 2 shots prone, 2 shots standing or sitting or kneeling, and two standing humane dispatch shots at 10m into the kill area of the head

Rifles must be legally held, and within the recommended best practice calibre (http://www.wildboar.org.uk/guide_list/) for wild boar, in the Country/Region in which the assessment is taking place. Sporting rifles with single or set triggers and fitted with a bipod if normally used when shooting wild boar, are permitted.

Practice - Not Assessed

Zero target - a 4 inch circle on the standard zero target or equivalent. Candidates may use any aid it is reasonable to have with them while stalking. All practice attempts must be made under properly controlled conditions organised by a competent person. This is a zero check/practice detail and is not part of the assessment.

Assessors must make provision to allow candidates to practice/check zero rifles prior to attempting the shooting assessment on the wild boar target.

For candidates to check zero or practice with estate rifle prior to attempting the assessment

WBC Shooting Assessment

Wild Boar silhouette. All shots must be inside or cutting the killing area (chest kill area and head kill area) of the silhouette target to pass. Only **<u>TWO</u>** attempts may be made on any one day. Candidates may use any aid it is reasonable to have with them while stalking. Attempt must be made under properly controlled conditions organised by an approved assessor.

SHOOTING SAFETY GLASSES MUST BE WORN FOR THE HUMANE DISPATCH SHOTS

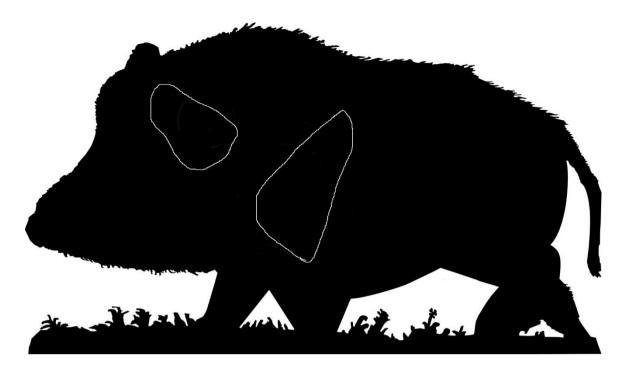
2. Shooting Positions for Practice and Assessment

Practice	Range	Position	Target	Notes			
Practice Zero Target							
Group 3 shots in a 4-inch circle	100m	Simulated highseat, or rifle pit or prone using a rest (rucksack, coat, etc and or sling, bipod	Zeroing Target	Only aids normally carried when stalking may be used as aids.			
Assessment Wild Boar Target							
Two Shots for a humane kill in the chest area	100m	Highseat or Prone	Wild Boar Silhouette Target	It is essential that candidates are shown the target close up prior to shooting the test, The killing point is immediately up the front of the front leg and midway up the body of the animal. ONLY 2 Attempts allowed in a 24hr period			
Two Shots for a humane kill in the chest area	70m	Standing, or Sitting or Kneeling either freehand or using sticks as desired	Wild Boar Silhouette Target	ONLY 2 Attempts allowed in a 24hr period			
Two Shots for a humane kill in the head area	10m- 20m	Standing either freehand or using sticks as desired	Wild Boar Silhouette Target	ONLY 2 Attempts allowed in a 24hr period SAFETY GLASSES MUST BE WORN FOR THIS DETAIL			

3. The number of attempts permitted

Only **TWO** attempts at the wild boar target Assessment may be undertaken in a 24-hour period.

The targets used for this assessment must be the DMQ Wild Boar Silhouette. Target available from DMQ.



Award of the DMQ Wild Boar Certificate

Candidates are required to pass all three of the assessments before being awarded the DMQ Wild Boar Certificate (WBC). There is no limit to the number of times that candidates may attempt the assessments during the 3 year registration period

Under normal circumstances a DMQ WBC certificate or record of achievement, should be with the candidate within a maximum of 8 weeks after assessment.

Current DMQ WBC Centres

British Association for Shooting and Conservation (BASC)	Marford Mill Rossett Wrexham LL12 0HL	01244 573018	Jane Sherlock
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British Deer Society (BDS)	The Walled Garden Burgate Manor Fordingbridge Hampshire SP6 1EF	01425 655434	Dawn Cope
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National Gamekeepers Organisation	PO Box 246 Darlington DL1 9FZ	01833 660 869	Liz Kelsall	
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Wild Boar Best Practice can be found at:

http://www.wild-boar.org.uk/