

# 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.

A BLUE DSC1 or YELLOW DSC1 with a Lantra or FSA/NGO Wild game meat course or the Green DSC 1 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 including placing 3 shots in a four inch circle at 100 m, followed by a series of shots at a wild boar target in three positions, 2 shots prone, 2 shots sitting or kneeling, and 2 shots standing 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.wild-boar.org.uk/guide\\_list/](http://www.wild-boar.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.

## **Scoring**

### **Part A**

**Zero target** All shots must be inside or cutting a 4 inch circle on the standard zero target or equivalent. Only three attempts may be made in one day. Candidates may use any aid it is reasonable to have with them while shooting wild boar. Any aid used must be carried throughout the assessment. All attempts must be made under properly controlled conditions organised by an approved assessor.

### **Part B**

**Wild boar Silhouette** All shots must be inside or cutting the killing area ("5" ring) of the silhouette target to pass. Only three attempts may be made on any one day. Candidates may use any aid it is reasonable to have with them while shooting wild boar. Any aid used must be carried throughout the assessment. All attempts must be made under properly controlled conditions organised by an approved assessor.

2 shots from 10m or 15m (dependant on range suitability assessors risk assessment) into the kill area in the head of the wild boar target to represent a humane dispatch shot. Candidates may use any aid it is reasonable to have with them while shooting wild boar.

## SHOOTING SAFETY GLASSES MUST BE WORN FOR THE HUMANE DISPATCH SHOTS

Three attempts may be taken at either or both Part A and Part B (zero target and Wild boar target) of the shooting test in any one day. The zero target Part A must be completed before the candidate can undertake the three attempts at Part B the wild boar target.

Shooting Assessment targets and the wild boar targets used for this assessment **must be** the DMQ approved Wild boar Silhouette target.

**If a candidate fails the shooting assessment. S/he may not re-sit the assessment on the same day.**

The practices are summarised in the table below:

Practice	Range	Position	Target	Notes
Group 3 shots in a 4 inch circle	100m	Simulated high seat, or rifle pit or prone using a rest (rucksack, coat, etc and or sling, bipod	Zeroing Target	Only aids normally carried when shooting wild boar may be used as aids. Failure to place 3 shots in the 4 inch circle will preclude the candidate from taking the remainder of the test until he has checked his rifle, re-zeroed if necessary and successfully placed 3 shots in the 4 inch circle.
Two Shots for a humane kill in the chest area	100m	High seat or Prone	Wild boar Silhouette Target	It is essential that candidates are shown the target close up prior to shooting the test,
Two Shots for a humane kill in the chest area	70m	Kneeling or Sitting using sticks, sling or bipod as desired	Wild boar Silhouette Target	
Two Shots for a humane kill in the chest area	40m	Standing either freehand or using sticks as desired	Wild boar Silhouette Target	
Two Shots for a humane Dispatch in the head target area	10m	Standing either freehand or using sticks as desired	Wild boar Silhouette Target	<b>Shooting Safety Glasses must be worn for the Humane Dispatch shots.</b>

## 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

<b>British Association for Shooting and Conservation (BASC)</b>	Marford Mill Rossett Wrexham LL12 0HL	01244 573018	<b>Jane Sherlock</b>
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<b>National Gamekeepers Organisation</b>	PO Box 246 Darlington DL1 9FZ	01833 660 869	<b>Liz Kelsall</b>
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Wild Boar Best Practice can be found at:

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