



Winchester / NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program PISTOL QUALIFICATION

Hosted by Armed2Defend

**Welcome to the Marksmanship qualification program.
Please review this information before participating.**

Program Goal:

To Develop the skills needed to participate in NRA Action Pistol competition, as well as the basic skills required for personal protection. An NRA Basic Pistol, Personal Protection or FIRST Steps Pistol Orientation course will provide an excellent foundation of knowledge to build upon. The NRA Basic Pistol Qualification Course provides the perfect self-paced shooting activity to help develop your skills and reward your achievements.

How to Participate:

Eligibility: The program is open to everyone – men, women, adults and youth.

Instruction: Armed2Defend will provide limited instruction to assist you to complete your level.

Location: The marksman qualification is hosted on Armed2Defend's instructional shooting range. All participants need to schedule with Armed2Defend for one of the available dates. Please note that this range is on private property and is an only open during listed times; this is not a public range. Contact Armed2Defend at support@armed2defend.com or (614) 503-5214 for range address.

Dates and Times: By reservation only, the shooting time will be from 1 to 2 pm on the scheduled dates listed on this web page, <http://armed2defend.com/marksmanship-qualification-program/>. When you arrive to the range, check in with the range staff.

Program Fee: The program fee is \$20 per level attempted. If the level is not completed in one day then it is only \$5 each date that you come back to work on that level. If you would like to complete more than one level in one day then each additional level is only \$15 within the same day. At the completion of each level, you will be awarded a certificate and the skill rocker for that level. Upon completing the Pro-Marksman level, you will also be awarded the Pistol Qualification Patch. For non-NRA members, there is an additional \$20 fee to receive the Distinguished Expert award package.

Supplies: Armed2Defend will supply the targets, shooting space, instruction and awards. Ammunition and firearms are to be supplied by the participant.

Records: Armed2Defend will maintain your qualification records. Participants will receive the certificate for each level completed.



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Thank you for your interest in participating in the Marksman program through Armed2Defend.

When you arrive at Armed2Defend's range, please check in with the range staff. They will guide you where to make your payment, review the range rules, and sign a waiver. All participants start at the Pro-Marksman level unless if documentation can be shown of past completed levels.

Armed2Defend's Preliminary Range Rules (not the complete list of rules):

1. Keep your pistol unloaded in a closed bag or case until you are on the firing line and you are directed to remove it by an Armed2Defend representative.
2. Holstered pistols are not to be removed from holster unless under the supervision of the Armed2Defend Range Safety Officer (RSO). Preference is that firearms are unloaded and in a bag/case.
3. Pistols are to ALWAYS be pointed down range towards the target area. At no point should it be pointed in a different direction. Any unsafe behavior will result in disqualification from the program.
4. Do not start qualifications without supervision from an Armed2Defend representative.

Pistols and Revolvers: Any semi-automatic pistol or revolver may be used. All calibers compete together.

Sights: Any sights may be used.

Targets: Eight-inch target ([Right Handed](#), [Left Handed](#)), six-inch target ([Right Handed](#), [Left Handed](#)), and [AP-2 precision or Bianchi Cup style target](#).

Timers: When time restricts are specified, shooters should have another individual act as timekeeper or use an electronic shot timer.

Distance: Armed2Defend will use 15 feet distances for all levels of qualification.

Awards: Pistol Qualification Patch, Skill Rockers, and Certificates. For the Distinguished Expert (DE) level, current NRA members will receive the award from the NRA. For non-NRA members, there will be an additional \$20 fee for this award. Distinguished Experts receive a DE Rocker, a DE Certificate, and a DE Metal. Become an NRA member, save \$10 off membership and become entered to win an \$1100 Kimber 1911 Pistol Package. Click here to join for only \$25: <http://www.armed2defend.com/kimbernra.html>.

Records: Armed2Defend will maintain records for the progression to rating qualifications. A rating does not have to be completed in a single day or in successive shots. But ratings do have to be completed in order and scores used to earn one rating cannot be used towards completion of another rating.

Pistol Course of Fire:

Pro-Marksman:

Position: Bench rest, two hands.

Target: 8 in diameter ([Right Handed](#), [Left Handed](#))

Time: No restriction

Course of Fire and Rating Requirements: (Minimum of 50 shots) Shoot 10 8 inch targets with 5 shoots in each target. The 10 targets do not have to be shot in succession or on the same day.

Marksman:

Position: Two handed standing

Target: 6 in diameter ([Right Handed](#), [Left Handed](#))

Time: No restriction

Course of Fire and Rating Requirements: (Minimum of 100 shots) Shoot 10 targets with 10 shots in each target. The 10 targets do not have to be shot in succession or on the same day.



Marksman First Class:

Position: Standing, two hands with strong side and weak side stages. Note: Strong side means the strong hand- usually the writing hand-grips the gun first and functions the trigger while the weak hand provides additional support. Weak side means the weak hand grips first and functions the trigger while the strong hand provides additional support.

Target: [AP-2 precision target](#) – Scoring areas are listed on target.

Stages: This Class has two stages. Both stages must be completed in the same session to qualify as one completed course of fire. Note: In this qualification, each target is shot two handed with either the strong side or weak side, not combined.

- Stage 1 Strong Side: Five targets with 10 shots in each, in 6 minutes.
- Stage 2 Weak Sides: Five targets with 10 shots in each, in 6 minutes.

A total of 10 shots per target. Possible score per target: 100

Course of Fire and Rating Requirements: (Minimum of 100 shots) Shoot 10 targets, 5 with a score of 46 or better and 5 with a score of 56 or better.

Sharpshooter:

Position: Standing, ready, two hands with strong side and weak side stages.

Target: [AP-2 precision target](#) - Scoring areas are listed on target.

Stages: This Class has two stages. Both stages must be completed in the same session to qualify as one completed course of fire. Note: In this qualification, each target is shot two handed with both the strong side and weak side, five shots each in each target (10 total shots a target).

- Stage 1 Strong Side: Five shots in 20 seconds
- Stage 2 Weak Side: Five shots in 20 seconds

A total of 10 shots per target. Possible score per target: 100.

Course of Fire and Rating Requirements: (Minimum of 100 shots) Shoot 10 targets, 5 with a score of 60 or better and 5 with a score of 65 or better. The 10 targets do not have to be fired in succession or on the same day.

Expert:

Position: Standing, ready, one hand, with strong side and weak side stages.

Target: [AP-2 precision target](#) - Scoring areas are listed on target.

Stages: This Class has two stages. Both stages must be completed in the same session to qualify as one completed course of fire. Note: Each stage uses a new target but the score is added between the two stage's targets to make a "Course of Fire". There will be 10 shots in each target using the same shooting hand (strong side or weak side).

- Stage 1 Strong Side: Five shots in 3 minutes and 5 shots in 10 seconds
- Stage 2 Weak Side: Five shots in 3 minutes and 5 shots in 10 seconds

A total of 20 shots on 2 targets (10 per target). Possible score: 200 (100 per target).

Course of Fire and Rating Requirements: (Minimum of 100 shots, minimum of 5 completed course of fire) Shoot 2 times over the course with a minimum score of 130 or better and three times over the course with a minimum score of 150 or better. The number of courses does not have to be fired in succession or on the same day. One course is one set of the two stage's targets completed in the same session.

Distinguished Expert:

Position: Standing, ready, with two hands; strong and weak hand stages.

Target: AP-2 precision target (official) hung with top of target at eye level. Scoring areas are listed on target.

Stages: This Class has four stages. All four stages must be completed in the same session to qualify as one completed course of fire.

- Stage 1 Strong Side Two Hands: Five shots in 10 seconds
- Stage 2 Weak Side Two Hands: Five shots in 10 seconds
- Stage 3 Strong Side One Hand: Five shots in 10 seconds
- Stage 4 Weak Side Hand: Five shots in 10 seconds

A total of 20 shots on 1 target. Possible score: 200

Course of Fire and Rating Requirements: (Minimum of 120 shots, minimum of 6 completed course of fire) Shoot 3 times over the course with a minimum score of 145 or better and three times over the course with a minimum score of 170 or better. The number of courses does not have to be fired in succession or on the same day.