



PISTOL

NRA Instructor Candidate Training Packet

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NRA Instructor Development

Instructor Candidate's Name:

Instructor Candidate's NRA Number:

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Why Choose Armed2Defend?



We are one of Ohio's Largest Instructional Teams!

Don't just choose any instructor for your NRA Certified Instructor Training.

Choose the BEST. Choose Kevin Sadeski.



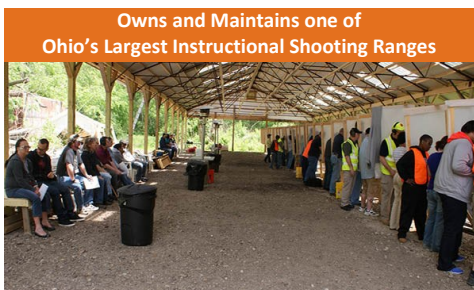
NRA Certified Training Counselor, Instructor, and Chief Range Safety Officer



Over 700 NRA Certified Pistol Instructors Trained!



- Kevin has personally trained over 25,000 for the Ohio Concealed Carry License.
- Only NRA Certified Trainer in the nation to win the Angie's List Super Service Award.
- NRA Membership Recruiter of the Year for 2016
- Top 10 NRA Certified Instructor in the Nation for NRA membership recruiting since 2012.
- #1 NRA Certified Instructor recruiter in the Nation for 2014- 2020 .
- As a Chief RSO, Kevin owns and maintains one of Ohio's largest instructional ranges.



Owns and Maintains one of Ohio's Largest Instructional Shooting Ranges



Hosts a Monthly Women's Pistol Shooting Group



NRA Certified Instructor Training

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Summary of the Steps to Become an NRA Certified Pistol Instructor

1 Register for Training

- ☐ **All Instructor candidates** must demonstrate pistol competence by completing the **pre-course qualification** requirements before the class. This pre-course qualification consists of both an **in-person training** and a **range demonstration**.
- ☐ **Register** for the class through Armed2Defend's website and pay course fee. Full payment is required for registration. .

2 Before the Training

- ☐ Read and understand the pre-course qualification procedures in this packet.
- ☐ Review this video and practice! Best way to practice is to record yourself shooting and handling the gun. You'll be able to see and correct your safety issues. Don't think you have safety issues, record and watch. <https://youtu.be/MtEU9ixhG2A>
- ☐ **Practice** all procedures in the per-course qualification found in this packet to ensure that you'll be able to pass.
- ☐ Complete the **pre-course questionnaire** found in this packet. You'll use it at the class to track progress on the pre-course qualifications. Kevin will keep it at the end of the first day.
- ☐ [Sign up or renew your NRA membership](#) to expedite your credentials after the training and to discount your NRA Instructor fees. Please sign up before the class.

3 At the Class

- ☐ Review the "Day of the Training" page in this packet for a list of what to bring.
- ☐ All pre-course qualifications must be completed by the end of the first day of training to be able to continue the training. If you are unable to complete, then you'll have to pay a fee and reschedule the qualification and instructor training.
- ☐ Grading is based on 3 written tests, classroom participation, and attitude. Passing is not guaranteed and refunds are not given to candidates who fail.
- ☐ This is a Three-day class. Class times will typically be 8:00 am to 8:00 pm for all days. Actual times are given on registration page.

4 After the Training

- ☐ After the course candidates will apply and pay for the two year NRA certification through the NRA. This fee is \$35 for current NRA members and \$60 for non-NRA members.
- ☐ Currently no additional training is required to renew the Instructor certification.

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Pre-Course Qualification: Requirements

The NRA Instructor training is not designed to teach how to use a firearm. It is designed to teach the NRA's training procedures and policies and to teach how the NRA wants the NRA class taught. The NRA has established an instructor pre-course qualification demonstration procedure that all instructor candidates need to complete in order to prove proper firearm knowledge, skills, and attitude before taking the instructor level training.

This is an instructor level course, therefore, candidates are expected to be thoroughly familiar with the different pre-course qualification requirements and to have all paperwork filled out and ready.

- Be familiar with all procedures and practice before arriving.
- Follow all procedures exactly as they are outlined in the pre-qualification paper work.
- All demonstrations need to be completed in person with the NRA Certified Training Counselor (Kevin Sadeski for Armed2Defend).

Components of the Pre-Course Qualification :

1. **Pre-course Questionnaire:** Fill out the enclosed pre-course questionnaire and qualification paperwork and then bring with you to turn in when you come to complete your pre-course qualifications.
2. **NRA Basic Pistol Instructor Lead Training:** This is the first day of the NRA Pistol Instructor course. Yes, you do need to be complete this course regardless of your past experiences and accomplishments. You must pass this course and the pre-course qualifications at the end of this course to be able to continue the instructor training on the next two days.
3. **Range Demonstration:**
 - a. Shooting demonstration scoring 16/20 shots (you provide this firearm and the ammunition).
 - b. Load and unload a semi-automatic pistol, a single action revolver and a double action revolver (I can provide these pistols and dummy rounds if needed).
 - c. Demonstrate procedure for a misfire with a semi-automatic. (I can provide this pistol and dummy rounds if needed. Follow NRA procedures listed on page 16 of this packet.)
 - d. Demonstrate procedure for clearing a double feed with a semi-automatic. (I can provide this pistol and dummy rounds if needed. Follow NRA procedures listed on page 16 of this packet.)

Please note that these qualifications are different from what you would demonstrate in a concealed carry course. So even if you have a license and you have completed an NRA basic firearm course, you will still need to complete all pre-course qualification demonstrations.

Click on the image below to watch details on the pre-course qualifications:



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Pre-Course Qualification: Range Procedures

Please be sure to review this packet and practice all pre-qualification steps before you arrive at the range. Contact Kevin Sadeski with questions: armed2defend@gmail.com or 614-503-5214.

Range Information:

In most cases, the pre-qualification demonstrations take place at the end of the NRA Basic Pistol Instructor Led Training on Armed2Defend's range. These must be completed in person.

Only come to the range on scheduled times and dates. This range is on private property and visiting is not allowed outside of scheduled times. If you are unsure, please contact Armed2Defend at 614-503-5214.

Initial Range Rules:

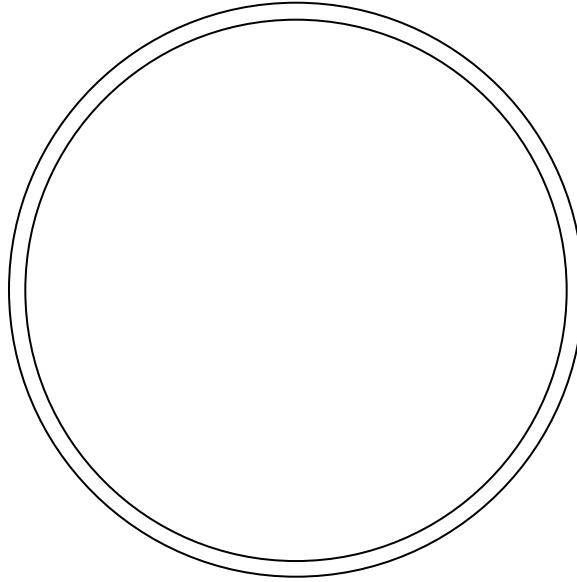
Be sure to review and follow these initial range rules. The full set of range rules will be given at the range.

- Please bring your firearm unloaded in a closed bag or case. Do not take your gun out of your bag or case until you are instructed to do so. We don't load or unload off the firing line. **No holster usage is allowed.**
- Your finger must be off the trigger until you are ready to shoot (sights aligned on target and ready to fire).
- The pistol must be pointed at the target (safe direction) at all times.
- If you have "bad habits" when handling a pistol; practice your handling before you come to the range. **You must be proficient at the time of training. There are no excuses for safety violations and any unsafe handling will result in you failing the pre-course qualification or the instructor training.**
- Eye and ear protection must be worn at all times on the range while the range is active. We require side shields on glasses. We can provide safety glasses to go over your glasses if needed.

Since this is an instructor level course, my expectation is that the knowledge, skill and attitude that you demonstrate while on the range is the same that you'll use with your students. My job is to ensure that only the instructor candidates with the proper knowledge, skill and attitude will become NRA Certified Instructors.

NRA Instructor Training Program Pre-Course Qualification Pistol - Adjusted to 15 Feet Shooting Distance

48 Points Minimum to Pass (16/20 hits)



Requirements:

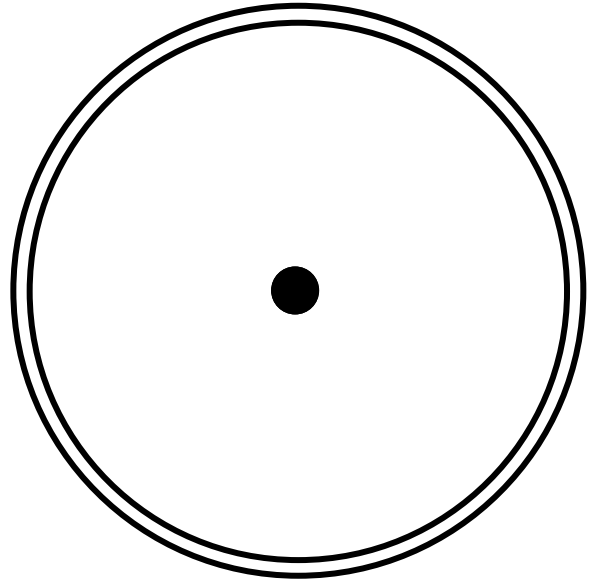
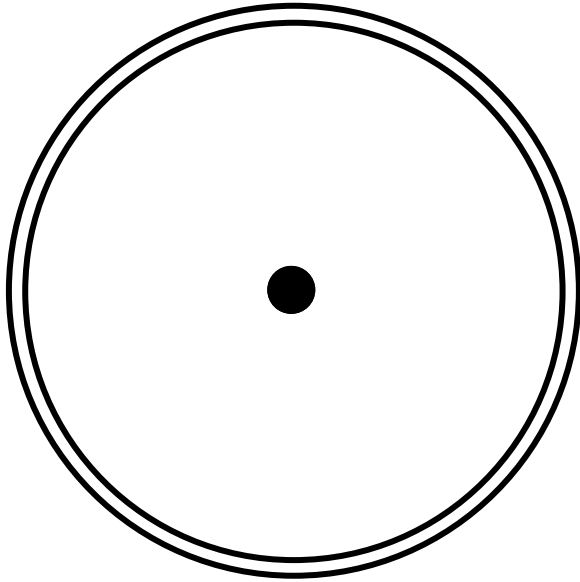
- Fire 20 shoots from 15 feet from target using a two-handed, unsupported, standing position.
- Any pistol action type, caliber, and sights can be used. No AR style pistols allowed.
- Shoot 10 shots into 2 targets each or 5 shots into 4 targets each (total 20 shots).
- Only hits that break the inner circle and are within a maximum 2 inch spread (within circle below) counts as hits and score 3 points each (60 maximum points).
- Total score after 20 shoots needs to be at minimum 48 points out of 60 points (16/20 hits).
- Three qualification shoots are allowed in any 24 hour period. Each qualification is 20 consecutive shots.

Any safety violations will result in an automatic 0 overall score.



Target Dimensions:

Target Diameter = 3 inches
Outside Border = 0.167 inches
Extreme Spread = 2 inches



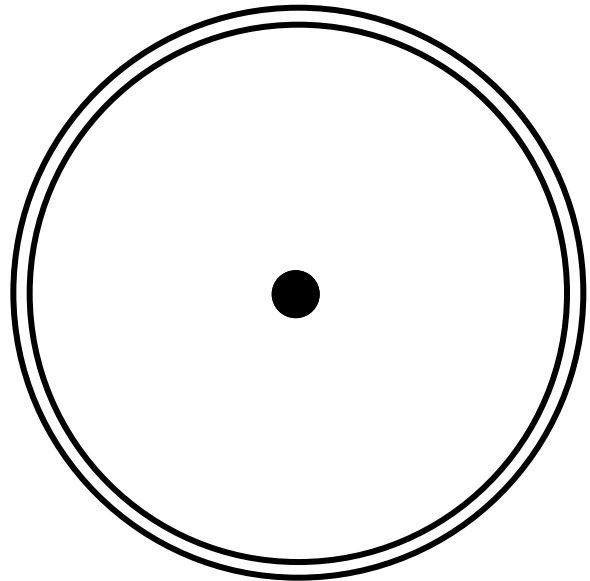
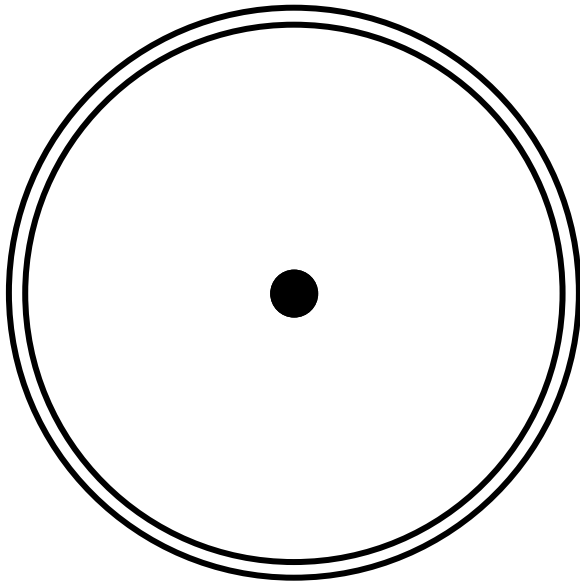
NRA Instructor Training Program Pre-Course Qualification Pistol - Adjusted to 15 Feet Shooting Distance

48 Points Minimum to Pass (3 Points each hit within 2 in group)

Target #: _____

Candidate Name #: _____ Date: _____

Score: _____ Pass / Fail



Please bring at least 4 copies of this target for you to shoot

Day of the Instructor Training

Please review this information to know what to expect at the training and what to bring to the class.

All days start at the classroom. The classroom located just SE of Columbus Ohio. Please see the location for the specific date you want to attend.

Please note that no firearms and ammunition allowed in the classroom. Please secure them in your car. You can pack a lunch or you can purchase food at the class (see details in class emails or registration page).

What to Bring:

- Your ID (Driver's license, state ID...)
- Your NRA Membership card (if you have one). You don't need to be a member but it is recommended
- A pistol with at least 200 rounds of ammo. Can be any caliber (including 22), sighting system (including red dot and laser) and action type except for AR style (Do not bring gun into class-room). You can bring multiple pistols if you would like. This is needed as a part of the training and for the pre-qualification.
- Pens, highlighters, post-it notes, and paper for notes. You will take lots of notes.
- Printed copy of each of the following lesson plans hole punched and placed in your binder. If you are unable to print, there will be an option to purchase. You will teach from these lesson plans and also you'll be tested over them in the instructor class. [Instructor Led](#) and [Blended](#).
- A 1.5 or 2 inch binder to organize the lesson plans and an additional packet that you will receive.
- A book bag or similar to hold other books and paperwork.
- Snacks, drinks, and what you want to do about lunch. We don't take a long lunch break. You will have the option to purchase lunch for each day. Cash is easiest for a group lunch purchase.
- Your best attitude for the training.

What You'll Receive at the Training:

- NRA Trainer's Guide Packet.
- Exclusive Armed2Defend NRA Instructor Resources and Information.
- NRA Instructor Course Completion Card if you successfully complete the training.
- Other relevant materials and handouts.

Training Times:

Please plan to arrive at the classroom around 15 minutes early to finalize check-in before starting on time. These times are subject to change. This course is objective completion based, so actual end time is depended on participants abilities to meet the objectives. Please review the dates and times listed for your specific class.

Day-1: NRA Basic Pistol (student version) and pre-course qualification: Class time will be from 8:00 am till around 8:00 pm. Plan to start at the classroom that is given during registration. We will end at the range that is 4 minutes away from the classroom.

Day-2: NRA Basic Instructor Training: Class time will be from 8:00 am till around 8:00 pm. Plan to start at the classroom that is given during registration. This is classroom only day, no guns are needed.

Day-3: NRA Pistol Instructor Training: Class time will be from 8:00 am till around 8:00 pm. Start and end at the classroom that is given during registration. During this day we will have range time and you'll have to re-shoot the Basic Pistol student Level 1 qualification.

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After the Training - NRA Certification

After successfully completing the training, Armed2Defend will submit your course completion records to the NRA and the NRA will contact you about finalizing your credentials.

The NRA website to finalize your credentials after the training is <https://www.nrainstructors.org/InstructorAdmin/insLogin.aspx>.

Steps to Finalize NRA Instructor Certification:

1. Armed2Defend will finalize and submit the course report electronically to the NRA.
2. Armed2Defend will notify passing instructor candidates that the course report is submitted.
3. Instructor candidates can create a log-in for the NRA Instructor Portal using either their NRA membership number or NRA instructor number.
4. Instructor candidates log-in and pay the certification fee.
5. After the fee is paid, full instructor status is granted and the completion certificate and NRA Instructor ID card is available for download. At this point you are able to order NRA instructor materials, teach the NRA course(s) that you are certified in and the Ohio Concealed Carry Training (must meet the Ohio training requirements when giving this instruction).

Create NRA Instructor Log-in:

Armed2Defend will notify you after the course report is submitted. At this time instructor candidates who are NRA members will be able to create a log-in on the NRA instructor site using their NRA membership number. Non-NRA members will have to wait for the NRA to issue an NRA Instructor number before being able to create a log-in.

NRA Instructor Certification:

After a log-in is created, instructor candidates will have to pay the two year NRA Instructor Certification fee. The fee is \$35 for NRA members or \$60 for non-NRA members. This fee is paid to the NRA every two years in order to maintain the NRA Instructor Certification. Currently there is no renewal training required by the NRA.

Once the fees are paid the certification becomes official and the completion certificate, NRA Instructor ID card, and all other NRA Instructor benefits become available.

NRA Membership:

Instructor candidates who are also NRA members are able to create a log-in and pay the instructor certification fees on the NRA Instructor website after Armed2Defend submits the course report. Non-NRA members will have to wait for the NRA to generate an NRA Instructor number before being able to create a log-in.

NRA membership is not required but it is strongly suggested. Click here to sign up and get a discounted membership. This offer is good for new or renewal memberships.

<http://armed2defend.com/nra-membership/>.

Please Fill Out Pages 11-18 of This Packet.

Bring it to your first day of the training.

**We will use it to track your completion of the
pre-course qualifications.**

Kevin Sadeski will keep it at the end of Day 1

Please keep it organized!

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NRA Instructor Candidate Training Packet

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Instructor Candidate's Name: _____

Instructor Candidate's NRA Number: _____

Items to be completed before the class date:

- ☐ Pre-Course Questionnaire (pages 12-14).
- ☐ Pre-Course Qualifications (pages 15-18)
 - ☐ Complete the Instructor Led NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course (in-person training). This is Day 1 of the Instructor Training.
 - ☐ Phase 1 - Loading and Unloading (pages 15-16)
 - ☐ Semiautomatic
 - ☐ Single Action Revolver
 - ☐ Double Action Revolver
 - ☐ Phase 2— Clearing Common Semiautomatic Pistol Stoppages (pages 16-17)
 - ☐ Failure to Fire Drill (Directions on page 16)
 - ☐ Double Feed Drill (Directions on page 16)
 - ☐ Phase 3—Pistol Shooting (pages 17-18) Targets are on pages 6 and 7

Please turn in pages 11-18 to Instructor Kevin Sadeski when you come to the range.

NRA INSTRUCTOR TRAINING PROGRAM

PRE-COURSE QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you for your interest in the NRA Instructor Training Program. The goal of this program is to develop instructors to teach NRA Basic Firearm Training Courses according to the lesson plans and training standards of the National Rifle Association. This program is *not* designed to prepare you to teach other firearm training courses (such as law enforcement, security, or hunter safety courses), nor to prepare you to develop firearm training courses of your own.

The NRA Instructor Training Course is designed to teach you *how to teach* others to shoot using NRA lesson plans and training methods. The course is *not* designed to improve your shooting skills. Possession of basic firearm safety and/or shooting skills is a prerequisite for certification as an NRA instructor. You may be asked to demonstrate your firearm background through participation in pre-course assessment exercises.

A complete NRA Instructor Training Course consists of two parts. The first is basic instructor training, which consists of 6 hours of instruction. The second part is discipline-specific instructor training, which consists of an additional 5 to 14 hours of instruction *per discipline*. For example, an NRA Instructor Training Course in rifle, pistol, and shotgun lasts at least 40 hours.

During the NRA Instructor Training Course, you will receive from your Training Counselor the *NRA Trainer's Guide*, the appropriate NRA Instructor Candidate Packet which includes the course outlines and lesson plans for the disciplines you wish to teach, the appropriate NRA basic course student packet which includes the handbook, certificates, *NRA Gun Safety Rules* brochure and other materials used in NRA basic courses.

The NRA Training Counselor who conducts your course will make a recommendation to NRA concerning your certification based on an evaluation of your knowledge, skills, and attitude. You will be asked to demonstrate your organizational and teaching skills through participation in several practical exercises during the course of your training. You will also be asked to complete an instructor certification examination. A minimum score of 90 percent is required for certified instructor applicants (85 percent for assistant and apprentice instructor applicants). *However, attendance at the course, or a passing grade on the examination, does not guarantee that you will receive the recommendation of the NRA Training Counselor.*

Initial Certified Instructor credentials are valid for two years. After completion of the second year, instructors will need to have reported training at nrainstructors.org and complete an online NRA Trainer Refresher course to recertify. Recertification will be required every other year.

Certified Instructors must have a valid email address and be registered at nrainstructors.org. They must remain current on NRA policies and procedures by thoroughly reviewing the NRA Training Department Update email blasts, nrainstructors.org and visiting the NRA Blog at: nrablog.com.

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NRA INSTRUCTOR TRAINING PROGRAM PRE-COURSE QUESTIONNAIRE

I have read the description of the NRA Instructor Training Program on the previous pages, understand its goals, and am interested in attending a course to prepare me to become an NRA Certified Instructor.

Signature _____

Name _____

Street _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email address _____

Daytime Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

Today's Date _____ Date of Birth _____

Occupation _____

Highest level of education completed _____

NRA Member? _____ Status (Annual, Life, etc.) _____

Do you currently hold ratings as an NRA Basic Firearm Training Instructor or NRA Shooting Coach? _____ If yes, which ratings do you hold? _____

Which instructor ratings are you interested in obtaining?

Why do you wish to become an NRA Certified Instructor?

Where do you plan to conduct the classroom and range portions of your NRA Basic Firearm Training Courses?

NRA INSTRUCTOR TRAINING PROGRAM PRE-COURSE QUALIFICATION PISTOL

Name of Candidate _____ Date _____

The NRA Instructor Training Pre-Course Qualification is to be administered after the potential Instructor Candidate has completed the entirety of the Basics of Pistol Shooting (Instructor Led Training.) The Pre-Course Qualification must be administered before an individual attends an Instructor Training Course and is a hands-on, practical exercise to evaluate an individual's knowledge, skills and attitude in safety, loading, unloading, clearing firearm malfunctions, and shooting skills. The qualification is conducted in three phases. *Alternatively, candidates may provide documented proof of Classified Sharpshooter or better in NRA Conventional or Action Pistol, Classified Marksman or better in International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA) or Classified "C" or better in US Practical Shooting Association(USPSA)/International Practical Shooting Confederation(IPSC) or a certification as an NRA LEAD Handgun/Shotgun or Tactical Handgun certified instructor.*

Passing/Failing:

The NRA Pre-Course Qualification for Pistol will have a maximum score of 100 points and a minimum passing score of 80 points. Minimum passing requirement must be met in each phase.

Unsafe Gun Handling:

Candidates who demonstrate unsafe gun handling will be given 0 points for that particular skill test. Examples of unsafe gun handling include pointing the gun in an unsafe direction or any area not designated as safe by the Training Counselor, sweeping one's own body, or placing the finger on the trigger before being ready to shoot.

PHASE 1 - LOADING/UNLOADING

Location: Classroom or Range

Using dummy ammunition, instructor candidate must load and unload a single action revolver, double action revolver, and a semi-automatic pistol.

Requests for assistance will result in a deduction of 3 points per action type in the exercises; candidate will be given a score of 0 for safety violations.

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Appendix 5: NRA Instructor Training Program Pre-Course Qualification Pistol

Loading

Minimum Passing 12 points / Maximum 15 points

5 points maximum per action type

	Points
Single Action Revolver	_____
Double Action Revolver	_____
Semi-Automatic Pistol	_____
TOTAL	_____

Unloading

Minimum Passing 12 points / Maximum 15 points

5 points maximum per action type

	Points
Single Action Revolver	_____
Double Action Revolver	_____
Semi-Automatic Pistol	_____
TOTAL	_____

PHASE 2 – CLEARING COMMON PISTOL STOPPAGES

Location: Range

Using dummy ammunition, instructor candidate must demonstrate how to clear a common pistol stoppage using a semi-automatic pistol. Training Counselor will set-up the pistol and conduct a practical exercise involving failure to fire and double feeds.

Requests for assistance will result in a deduction of 3 points per action type in the exercises; candidate will be given a score of 0 for safety violations.

FAILURE TO FIRE DRILL: If candidate waits 30 seconds keeping the gun pointed in a safe direction, taps the bottom of the magazine, and pulls the slide to the rear, 5 points will be given.

DOUBLE FEED DRILL: If the candidate locks the slide to the rear, removes the magazine, and renders the pistol unloaded 5 points will be given.

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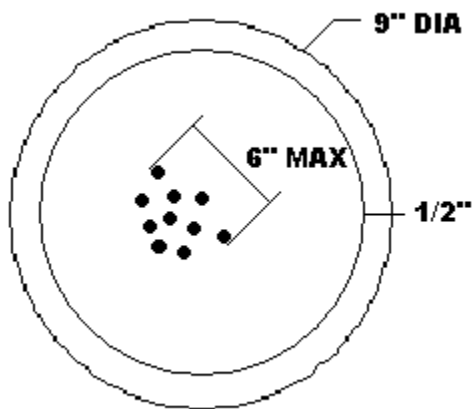
Minimum Passing 8 points / Maximum 10 points
5 points maximum per stoppage type

	Points
Semi-Automatic Failure to Fire	_____
Semi-Automatic Double Feed	_____
TOTAL	_____

PHASE 3 – PISTOL SHOOTING

Location: Range

Candidate will shoot any gun of their choice, regardless of action, sights or caliber, at a blank 9 inch diameter paper target at a distance of 15 yards. Candidates will fire 20 shots from a two-handed, unsupported, standing position. Targets will be broken into two ten-shot targets or four five-shot targets. Three points will be given for each scoring hit. In order for a hit to count, it must fall inside a 1/2" border from the edge of the plate. Shots that break the edge of the 1/2" border will count as hits. All scoring hits on a target must be within a 6" or less extreme spread (see below). Candidates will be allowed to shoot their own firearms if desired. *Two requalification shoots are allowed within any 24-hour period.*



Please see attached targets in this packet. Since we shoot at 15 ft (not 15 yards) the targets are scaled to be a 3 inch target with a 2 inch maximum group size.

If adjusted distance is required due to range limitations, the following formulae will be used; all distances are in inches (hit scoring and requirements remain the same):

Target Diameter:	Target Distance divided by 60.0
Outside Border:	Target Diameter divided by 18.0
Extreme Spread:	Target Diameter divided by 1.5

Candidate will be given a score of 0 for safety violations.

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*Appendix 5: NRA Instructor Training Program Pre-Course Qualification
Pistol*

Minimum Passing 48 points / Maximum 60 points
3 points for each scoring hit

Pistol Shooting Points

Phase I Loading Unloading Sub-Total:	<input type="text"/>
Minimum Passing 80%	
Phase II Clearing Stoppages Sub-Total:	<input type="text"/>
Minimum Passing 80%	
Phase III Pistol Shooting Sub-Total:	<input type="text"/>
Minimum Passing 80%	
Pistol Pre-Course Qualification Total Score:	<input type="text"/>

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