

Firestone Scout Reservation

NRA Shotgun Instructor Information

Hello!

My name is Bill Greenfield. I am the Lead Instructor for your upcoming NRA Basic Shotgun and Instructor Courses. Both courses are required to become a certified NRA Shotgun Instructor. To ensure maximum success, we have assembled an excellent team of Instructors and Range Safety Officers to assist you during these courses.

Below is some key information to help you plan for your course:

1) Courses: You will take both the NRA Basic Shotgun and NRA Shotgun Instructor Courses, which are required to become a certified NRA Shotgun Instructor.

- The dates of the NRA Basic Shotgun Course are Saturday, March 1st - Sunday, March 2nd, 2025.
- The date of the NRA Shotgun Instructor Course is Saturday, March 8th, 2025.

The Courses will begin each day at 7:30 AM

- The total cost for both courses is \$130, payable through Black Pug (when you register), plus a \$120 materials fee. For the materials fee, I currently accept Cash, Checks, or Zelle (payable to Bill Greenfield – 949-633-4777 - billgreenfield@gmail.com). The cost includes the use of the camp, instruction, course materials, guns, and ammunition.

2) Weather: Begin looking at the weather forecast for Brea, CA. As of today the forecast is for it to be in the 60's during the day. Firestone has its own weather pattern. The weather changes quickly and can be unpredictable.

3) Dress: This is an NRA course. As such, you are not required to wear Scout Clothing, but may do so if you like. You will be working both indoors and outdoors, so dress accordingly.

4) Check-In: You will check in at the Firestone Trading Post at 7:15 AM Sharp each day, for a 7:30 AM start.

5) Accommodations: Your fee includes camping at Firestone on Saturday night each weekend. If you would like to camp on Friday too, please get in touch with me to make arrangements. You are also welcome to commute.

6) Punctuality: Do not be late. You must be on time to have enough time to complete your courses successfully. If you arrive late or miss any of your lessons, it may adversely affect your ability to earn your instructor credential.

7) Our address:

Firestone Scout Reservation
19001 Tonner Canyon Rd.
Brea, CA 92821

8) Participation Requirements: To participate in this course, you must be a Scouter, Scouts BSA volunteer, paid staff member of Scouts BSA, or volunteer/staff of another non-profit youth organization. This course is being given at a reduced cost, as all spaces are reserved for those who will be using their Instructor credentials to help teach shooting sports to young people.

9) Registration: Registering for these courses with the Greater Los Angeles Council (GLAAC), Scouts BSA is the first step in obtaining your NRA Basic Shotgun and Shotgun Instructor Certifications (which you just completed). Next, use the links below to register your information on the NRA Instructors site. As the NRA is the credentialing organization, this information is needed to process your certifications. Here are the registration links (please register for both):

NRA Basic Shotgun Course

<https://www.nrainstructors.org/CourseDetails.aspx?Courseid=862776>

NRA Certified Instructor: Shotgun

<https://www.nrainstructors.org/CourseDetails.aspx?Courseid=862777>

10) What to Bring: If you own them, please bring hearing protection and safety glasses, aka “Eyes & Ears”. I recommend buying over-the-ear noise-reducing headphones and a pair of shooting glasses. Also, bring a camp chair, pens/pencils, and a 2” or larger 3-ring binder.

11) Firearms: Do not bring any firearms or ammunition to this course. If you are a Law Enforcement officer and wish to carry in Camp, please inform the Firestone Ranger upon arrival. If you are a CCW holder, please leave your firearm(s) locked in your vehicle during this course. This is non-negotiable. We will supply any guns and ammunition that you may need.

12) Technology: There is spotty cellular service and no WiFi access.

13) Mindset: Bring an open mind, a cooperative attitude, and a willing smile. We are going to have a great set of courses!

Finally... Please call, text, or email me with any questions. I can be reached at (949) 633-4777 or billgreenfield@gmail.com.

Yours in Scouting,

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