



NRA Basic Rifle & Rifle Instructor Training Weekend

April 24th – 26th, 2026

Baltimore Area Council
Camp Saffran, Dan Beard Cabin
Broad Creek Memorial Scout Reservation
1929 Susquehanna Hall Rd., Whiteford, MD 21160

This weekend course will be divided into three parts: the NRA Basic Rifle Shooting course, Basic Instructor Training, and the NRA Rifle Instructor course. This discounted training is available to registered members of Scouting America (BSA) only.

NRA Basic Rifle: Teaches the basic knowledge, skills, and attitude necessary for the safe use of a rifle in target shooting. The course includes classroom and range time learning to shoot rifles. Students learn NRA's rules for safe gun handling; rifle parts and operation; ammunition; shooting fundamentals; range rules; shooting from the bench rest, prone, sitting, standing, and kneeling positions; cleaning, and continued opportunities for skill development.

NRA Rifle Instructor: Teaches the knowledge, skills and attitude essential to organizing, promoting and teaching NRA's Basic Rifle Shooting course. Instructor Candidates must possess basic firearm safety and shooting skills as a prerequisite for certification as an NRA Rifle Instructor. Prior to the instructor training, candidates complete a pre-course questionnaire and demonstrate their firearm background in pre-course assessment exercises. The NRA Rifle Instructor course is presented in two parts: Basic Instructor Training (if BIT is needed), and discipline specific instructor training. Students demonstrate organizational and teaching skills via participation in practical exercises during the course and complete an instructor certification examination.

Students must attend the entire course during the weekend. The course will be held at Camp Saffran at the Broad Creek Memorial Scout Reservation. Breakfast and lunch will be provided on Saturday and Sunday. The students will be responsible for providing their evening meals. Overnight lodging is available at no additional cost to participants, which includes kitchen facilities for preparing meals. You will need to provide your own cooking utensils, pots, pans, etc. if you plan to prepare meals.

To attend this NRA training, you must complete your registration with the Baltimore Area Council. After your registration has been completed with the Council, you will be contacted by the NRA Instructor/Training Counselor who will provide you with the links to register for the courses on the NRA Training website as well as any additional information.

Training will begin at 6 pm on Friday, April 24th and should conclude by 5 pm on Sunday, April 26th. You must be present for the entire weekend to complete the full training. All NRA training materials, firearms, ammunition and hearing and eye protection will be provided. Personal firearms or ammunition are not permitted on camp property.

Cost: \$175.00

Note: There is a credentialing fee with the NRA which is not included in the cost of this training. NRA membership is not required to become an NRA Instructor.

For further information on this course, direct inquiries to shootingsports@broadcreekbsa.org