

NRA RIFLE & SHOTGUN INSTRUCTOR AND RSO COURSE with preliminary Pistol Instructor Course information

Note: This is a new flyer updated Aug 9th with corrected Information

The NRA Certified Rifle and Shotgun Instructor and Range Safety Officer (RSO) Course is a 4-day course planned for Saturday and Sunday, November 18 & 19 and December 9 & 10, 2023. All new Instructor Candidates must attend the entire course to become NRA Certified. Currently certified NRA Instructors may attend the individual rifle, shotgun instructor or RSO courses to add any of these certifications to their credentials. Boy Scouts of America allows only NRA Certified Instructors and RSOs to conduct and supervise BSA rifle and shotgun shooting activities, to be a Rifle and Shotgun Merit Badge Counselor, or to teach NRA Basic Rifle, and Shotgun Courses. Other youth organizations and businesses also recognize NRA Instructors and RSOs for their shooting programs. **The new 4-day course requirement** resulted from NRA requiring all Rifle and Shotgun instructor candidates to successfully complete the Basic Rifle and Basic Shotgun Shooting Courses before taking the NRA Rifle and Shotgun Instructor Courses. Each of the two Basic Courses is one day in duration and will be presented on November 18 & 19. The NRA Rifle and Shotgun Instructor and the RSO Courses will be presented on December 9 & 10. Attendance and completion of all courses is required. NRA Instructor Certification and RSO Certification will be awarded by the NRA following satisfactory course completion. See Registration & Payment Requirements below.

NRA Certified Instructors that want to add Rifle, Shotgun Instructor or RSO Certification may attend that portion of the course. For attendance, registration and payment requirements contact the Lead Instructor, Chuck Kuzma directly.

LEAD COURSE INSTRUCTOR: Chuck Kuzma, Gulf Coast Council Shooting Sports Director & NRA Senior Training Counselor
Cell Phone 850 803-8761
Email ckuzma116@cox.net

NRA INSTRUCTOR STAFF: Dennis Wasson, Randy Bundy, Tim Tierney, John Easley

DATES: Saturday and Sunday, November 18 & 19 and December 9 & 10.

TIME: 7:00am until 7:00pm Saturdays
7:00am until 6:00pm Sundays (we may finish earlier)

PLACE: Spanish Trail Scout Reservation, 315 Pat Covell Rd., DeFuniak Springs, FL

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT: Payment of the course must be received by Monday, November 1, 2023. **PLEASE NOTE – Course seating is assigned, in the order received, to those who register and pay their course fee. Once seating capacity is reached, attendees will be placed on a standby list. To accommodate payment at this early date, anyone that registers for the course and pays their course fee and then is unable to attend, their payment will be refunded. Those on the standby list will move up. **No one** will lose their money.**

REGISTRATION (NEW) for the course is completed at <https://scoutingevent.com/773-nra23>. The following information is **required for registration**: Full name, mailing address, telephone number, email address, age, date of birth, and NRA member number (if a member), Boy Scout Member Number, from your BSA Registration Card, (wallet card), your Unit, District or Council Position, and your Council name (if not registered in the Gulf Coast Council). If you do not know your Scout registration information, you can obtain it from your Council Office. Once registered online for the course and payment of course fee (see below)

completed, **send an email** to the Lead Instructor, Chuck Kuzma with the same information "required for registration" (above).

PAYMENT of Course Fee may be made through the online system or at the Scout Office after your registration is complete. If you previously paid the course fee and were unable to attend, the fee was carried forward. The **Course Fee** for the Rifle & Shotgun Instructor and RSO Courses is **\$168.00**. Course fees **must be PAID BY NOV 1st**. These fees are based on our cost to put on the courses. We, the instructors, make no profit and present these courses as a benefit to our Scouting volunteers and to the BSA Shooting Sports Program.

NRA Instructor Certification fees are payable directly to the NRA by each student upon completion of these courses. First time Instructor Certification fee is currently \$35 for a 2-year certification for NRA members and \$65 for a 2-year Certification for Non-Members. Additional certifications can be added for \$15/rating for NRA members and \$30/rating for Non-Members. Please be aware that Certification fees are paid directly to the NRA by you and are subject to change.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS: All instructor participants must be age 21 or older at time of the course and be registered Scout Leaders or Merit Badge Counselors. NRA membership is not required, but NRA affords reduced certification fees to members.

WHAT IS SUPPLIED: All students are provided the NRA Trainers Guide, Instructor lesson plans, Student texts, 3-ring binders and all training material. Firearms, ammunition, eye & ear Protection are provided for use during the course.

WHAT TO BRING: NRA Membership Card (if NRA member), pen/pencil, writing paper, sufficient food and drink for Noon meals and snacks. Breaks will not be taken for off-camp lunches. Ammunition and personal firearms are not permitted in the classroom or on the range. They will be provided for your use. Bring your own eye & ear protection if you prefer.

LODGING: Participants may commute from home, stay in a local motel, bring a tent or RV to use in camp, or bring a cot and sleep in Henson Hall (the Training building). Camp tents or cabin may be available for a fee. Advance notice to the Lead Instructor is **required** to stay overnight at camp.

NRA PISTOL INSTRUCTOR COURSE

The NRA Pistol Instructor Course, January 6 & 7, 2024 will be discussed during the course in November and December. **A prerequisite** for taking the Pistol Instructor Course is that you complete or have previously completed the NRA Rifle and Shotgun Instructor Course and are currently certified in these disciplines. Seating is limited, so If you plan on registering for this course, please let Chuck Kuzma, ckuzma116@cox.net, know and you will be emailed detailed information on the course, course fee, and registration and payment information. This is the new NRA required NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course being taken on-line at the NRA website and then completed along with the NRA Pistol Instructor Course on January 6 & 7. **DO NOT take the on-line training course** until you have contacted me as the instructions for taking the on-line course will be different than what is presented on-line. The on-line course **MUST** be completed prior to the January Pistol Instructor Course. The cost of the on-line course is \$60.00, and the cost of the instructor course is \$46.00, if you have the NRA Trainers Guide provided during the Rifle, Shotgun Instructor and RSO course. If you do not have the Trainers Guide, the cost will be \$52.00.

Print and retain these pages for your reference.