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The Importance of Hearing Protection

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It's no secret that the blast of a firearm can be damaging to your hearing. In fact at 140+ decibels (dB), it is one of the most dangerous sounds that you can expose your ears to. A single exposure to a noise of that magnitude can instantly cause acoustic trauma, or sudden noise-induced hearing loss. This hearing loss occurs because tiny hair cells that make up the cochlea, the end organ of hearing, become damaged and are no longer able to function properly. The function of these hair cells is to convert sound into electrical energy or nerve impulses that are sent to the brain. When the brain no longer receives the nerve impulses, hearing loss has occurred. In the case of an acoustic trauma, this damage is irreversible. Repeated exposure makes the hearing loss even greater.

Hearing loss has multiple dimensions. The most obvious is when sounds become more difficult to detect. This is the impact of the shift in hearing thresholds. Your hearing threshold is the quietest level that you can detect a sound. The aspect of hearing loss that is less obvious to detect without a hearing test, but has an equally debilitating impact, is a change in the quality of sounds, especially speech. This can be the result of hair cells that may have been damaged, but not destroyed. The signals that are sent to the brain from damaged hair cells is distortion. For some people, hearing loss just means that it is harder to hear. For others, not only is it harder to hear, but on top of that it is difficult to clearly understand speech.

Noise Levels

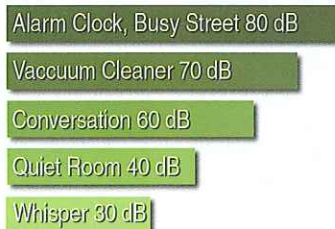
Painful & Hazardous



Extremely Loud & Hazardous



Others



Source: American Speech-Language and Hearing Association

Hearing loss that is caused by firearms is preventable through the use of hearing protection. There are several different types of hearing protection devices ranging from shooting muffs to foam ear plugs to customized electronic

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The Importance of Hearing Protection

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protection. The key to a good hearing protection system is the Noise Reduction Rating (NRR). The NRR demonstrates the number of dB that are effectively prevented from reaching the ear drum when properly fit and worn. Some ear protection will boast an NRR of 30 dB or greater, while others may provide protection in the ranges of 16-20 dB NRR. Cotton balls are not recommended for use as hearing protection as the level of protection afforded is negligible.

While basic disposable ear plugs can cost pennies on the dollar, other more sophisticated devices can cost several hundreds of dollars and the options on the market seem endless. Choice of hearing protection can be dictated by many factors including size, comfort, cost, personal preference and ease of use. Many devices today are available with electronic circuitry such as external microphones, amplifiers, and receivers (miniature

loudspeakers). Such devices allow you to hear your environment and at the same time prevent the amplified sound from exceeding comfort levels. Most electronic devices will have features that actually attenuate or compress the loud signals.

Shooting educators have multiple obligations as it relates to hearing protection. The first and most important obligation is to set an example. Today it is relatively easy to lead by example in this manner, as most shooting venues require hearing protection. Next is educating shooters. Those new to shooting as well as seasoned shooters need to be educated and reminded on a regular basis of the importance of protecting your hearing. It's also important to teach *why* hearing protection is important. The impact of hearing loss is one that lasts a lifetime and can have a serious impact on one's quality of life.

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TRAINER'S QUIZ

Here are Some of the Training Department's Most Frequently Asked Questions...

1. What eligibility prerequisites must one have to apply to become an NRA Training Counselor?
2. Can I get a list of every NRA Instructor in my state?
3. Does the NRA Education and Training Division publish its employees' phone numbers and email addresses?
4. I received a complaint from one of my students regarding another NRA Instructor, what will the NRA do about this situation?
5. I haven't taught an NRA course in a while, can I renew?

The answers to these frequently asked questions can be found on page 16.

Money for Marksmanship

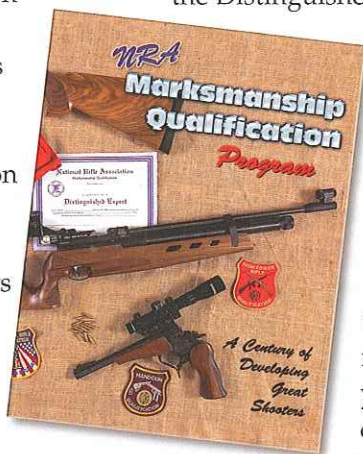
Winchester Ammunition Sponsors the Marksmanship Qualification Program

Improving your skills with a firearm largely requires two things: lots of practice and lots of ammunition. Winchester has provided the latter since 1866 and with a \$500,000 pledge to endow the NRA's Marksmanship Qualification Program, the company aims to make sure shooters continue their practice. The pledge, formally announced at this year's NRA Annual Meetings and Exhibits held in St. Louis, MO, makes Winchester the exclusive, permanent sponsor of the newly renamed Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program.

Many shooting coaches and hunter education instructors consider Marksmanship Qualification an indispensable way to encourage young people and beginning adult shooters to develop their shooting skills and grow their interest in the shooting sports. The program can be self-administered or conducted by a club, instructor, or mentor on public, private or home ranges. It is designed to help shooters advance

from beginning skill levels up to the nationally recognized skill rating, Distinguished Expert. Shooters who attain the Distinguished Expert rating will have developed a proficiency level on par with that of a competitively classified Sharpshooter.

The qualification program offers patches for the various courses of fire and patch rockers, pins, medals, and certificates for each skill level as shooters achieve progressively higher marksmanship standards. More than 200,000 such awards were distributed in 2006, and 1,700 shooters reached the Distinguished Expert level.



Awards can be obtained in 13 shooting disciplines, from International Air Pistol to Shotgun, to High Power Rifle.

Winchester and the NRA have been national leaders of youth shooting education for generations. The original

NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program was based in part on a similar program begun by Winchester in



1918, known as the Winchester Junior Rifle Corps. Winchester transferred this program to the NRA in 1926, when it merged with the association's existing youth training offerings.

"Winchester and NRA cooperated on this program almost a century ago, and the need for us to cooperate again is stronger than ever," said Winchester Ammunition President Dick Hammett. "By supporting the Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program, we are giving increasing numbers of American citizens, young and old, the chance to explore the profound benefits that hunting and the shooting sports have to offer.

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As shooting instructors, in addition to setting the tone by wearing hearing protection in the first place, you should also be conscious of the need to monitor your surroundings in an instructional environment. For this reason, certain types of hearing protection are more advantageous than others. Specifically, electronic hearing protection devices will allow you to communicate in a normal fashion, giving you the ability to hear

range commands, student questions and other elements of your environment, while at the same time, giving you the necessary hearing protection from firearm blasts.

Just as your first firearm instructor may have shared his own experiences with you, you may have your own stories to share with your students as to how you have been impacted by the effects of not protecting your hearing while

shooting. Anyone who has hearing loss as a result of shooting or other noise exposure will attest that the impact of hearing loss on the ability to communicate in general translates to quality of life issues. Protect your own hearing and help others protect theirs by adding hearing protection education to your teaching toolbox.

—Bill

Recent Staff Changes

New Staff and Promotions Abound!

There have been some big changes in the Education and Training Division staff. We have added a few new people to the division and several of our hard working staffers have been rewarded with promotions.

In the Youth Programs Department, Matt Szramoski, Manager, made the difficult decision to accept a position outside the NRA. Larry Quandahl, formerly our NRA National Instructor Trainer, has been promoted to Manager of the Youth Programs Department.

We also welcome two new staffers to the Youth Programs Department. Amanda Millward, previously an information specialist in the NRA Institute for Legislative Action, is now the NRA Shooting Sports Camp Program Coordinator. Chip Lohman, who has been an experienced, active Instructor and Training Counselor for many years, has joined the staff as the Cooperative Programs Coordinator, to work with NRA's many partners like the Boy Scouts of America, 4-H, and the Royal Rangers.

In the Training Department, John Howard, the long-suffering Assistant to the Director, has been promoted to the position of NRA National Instructor Trainer. John is a very experienced Instructor and Master Training Counselor.

H.Q. Moody, formerly the National Coach Trainer, has accepted the position of Manager of the NRA Competitive Shooting Division's Rifle Department, upon the retirement of George Harris. In the Coach Education Program Marcus Raab has been appointed to National Coach Trainer for Rifle Shooting Sports. And Don Sipes, formerly the NRA Instructor Program Coordinator, has been appointed the National Coach Trainer for Shotgun Shooting Sports.

Marcus and Don will share the National Coach Trainer for Pistol Shooting Sports position.

Andy Lander has moved from the Training Counselor Program to be the new NRA Instructor Program Coordinator.

Although not really a new staff member, Erik

Olsen, formerly on loan to us from a Temp agency, has accepted the position of Data Entry Specialist, dealing with the Basic Course Reports and the NRA Web site course postings.

We also welcome John Robbins (aka JR), who comes to us from the NRA's Community Service Programs Division. As the new Managing Editor of Hunting Communications, JR will be using his many years of editorial experience to reach out to the hunting community through various publications nationwide. Additionally, he will manage the NRA's Hunting Web site: www.freehunters.org.

Congratulations to all!

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U.S. Border Patrol is Looking for a Few Good Instructors

United States Customs and Border Protection are looking for individuals who are willing to be trained for a career in law enforcement with a good salary and health benefits. Border Patrol Agents salaries for trainees range from \$35,595 - 45,189 depending on education and experience. After a satisfactory completion of 6 ½ month probationary exam, individuals are eligible for additional promotions to higher grade levels with earning potential above \$70,000.

This federal career protecting the national security of your country provides an opportunity to work outdoors, accelerated promotional opportunities, and relocation to the Southwest.

For additional information regarding this great opportunity, go to www.cbp.gov. Applicants for employment can go directly online to the following site: cbpmhc.hr-services.org/BPA.

The Key Requirements for the Position:

- **U.S. Citizen**
- **Be under the age of 40**
- **Must pass a medical exam and physical fitness test**
- **Successfully complete a background security investigation**
- **Maintain residency in the U.S. for the last three years**

BioVault 2.0 Offers Superior Firearm Protection and MUCH More

Our official Biometric Gun Safety Device, the BioVault 2.0 from Sequiam Biometrics, offers the safety and security needed for gun storage, along with the quick and convenient access needed for emergencies. With the introduction of a new program, now available to Firearms Safety Instructors, Sequiam Biometrics offers all of this at a great price to new firearms safety students.

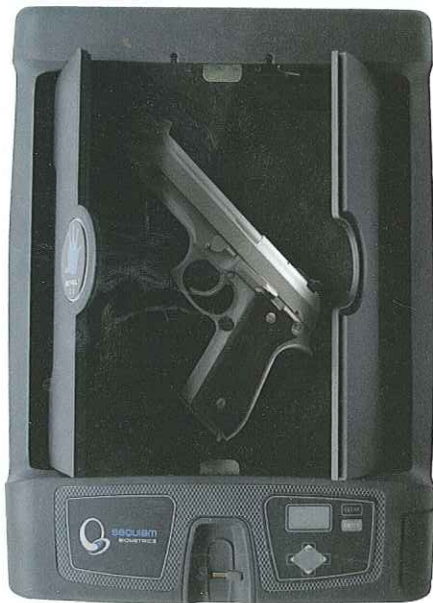
The program is simple. NRA Instructors can introduce students to the BioVault 2.0 during the training course. The BioVault offers true Biometric (Fingerprint) access that opens with the simple swipe of a finger... in about 1 second!! The convenient and swift opening assures gun owners quick access to their firearms while keeping the firearm away from children and other unauthorized users. New students can then go to the website www.nragunsafe.com to order the safe. The manufacturer offers a special price to NRA members (\$349) and shipping is FREE! To show their appreciation, the manufacturer will GIVE the instructor a FREE BioVault for every 10 BioVaults purchased by their students. Instructors should sign up immediately by going to the website www.nragunsafe.com/training and registering for the program. It's free and doesn't obligate them to anything.

Summary

- Students get a special price and FREE shipping*
- Instructors get a FREE BioVault for every 10 purchased by students*
- The BioVault 2.0 offers safety and security for handgun owners*
- Strictly Biometric (Fingerprint) Access*
- Opens in approximately 1 second*
- Full LCD display for easy use and programming*
- Up to 50 authorized users*
- Low profile, double spring-loaded doors provide quick, easy access*
- Portable and secure with accessories*

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Call 407.541.0767 before September 28th
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Meet the Education & Training Division Staff

Amy Dodson

**Refuse To Be A Victim® Program Coordinator
NRA Women's Programs Department**

Amy Dodson has worked in the Refuse To Be A Victim® program since October 2005. As program coordinator, she helps hundreds of volunteers who conduct and promote the Refuse To Be A Victim® seminar all over the country.

Originally from Massachusetts, Amy spent most of her childhood in Atlanta until moving to St. Louis, Missouri to attend Washington University where she got her BA in Psychology. After graduating from college, Amy moved to San Francisco, California and worked for SCORE! Educational Centers as a Director and later at the YMCA.

Wanting to move back East, Amy moved to Washington, D.C. to attend George Washington University where she earned a Masters in Criminal Justice.

During her time at GW, Amy interned in the Office of Protection Services at the National Gallery of Art, where she was the first employee to take a firearms class with the security guard trainees at the only indoor shooting range in D.C.

Currently, she is working on another Masters in Marriage and Family Therapy from Virginia Tech.



Patty Zollman

**National Training Coordinator
NRA Women's Programs Department**

Patty Zollman joined NRA Women's Programs in September 2006. Prior to that she worked for NRA's Law Enforcement Activities Division for over 20 years, where she managed the Police Competitions Department.

Patty is actively involved in the development and delivery of all activities within Women's Programs with specific concentration on revising and updating both the Refuse To Be A Victim® Instructor Training and Regional Counselor manuals. She will be heavily involved in training regional counselors in the Refuse To Be A Victim® program nationwide. She'll assist in the development and organization of NRA's Women's Wilderness Escape to be launched in the summer of 2008. Patty also administers the Sybil Ludington Women's Freedom Award, Marion P.

Hammer Woman of Distinction Award and the Women's Wildlife Management and Conservation Scholarship.

Patty is the proud mother of a 17-year-old son, who shares her love of recreational shooting. "As a single mother, I am particularly interested in personal safety and delivering this message nationwide."



Reduced Tournament Fees for Cooperative Youth Groups!

NRA State Association Now Eligible!

The reduced tournament fees offered through the NRA Cooperative Youth Organization Program are now available to all State Shooting Associations sponsoring junior "Approved" shooting tournaments. For several years, the NRA has offered a sanctioned "Approved" Special Tournament at reduced tournament fees to assist youth organizations with their junior shooting programs.

We are now extending the same offer to NRA Junior Shooting programs through the State Associations in an effort to help the associations grow junior shooting

programs. Now a State Association or National Cooperative Organization that wants to participate must belong to a national youth-serving organization such as (but not limited to) the 4-H, The American Legion, JROTC, the Jaycees, BSA Venturing, DeMolay, Royal Rangers, or the Boy Scouts of America.

For more information and to obtain an *NRA Cooperative Program Youth Organization Confirmation Form*, contact the Youth Programs Department at (703) 267-1550 or visit online at www.nrahq.org/youth/form.

A Volunteer's Dream Job

Women's Wilderness Escape at the NRA Whittington Center

Just imagine sharing your shooting sports expertise while on 33,000 acres of western mountain terrain in the scenic high mesa country of New Mexico—where the elk and antelope roam and the skies are so wide you can almost see back in time. *Truly—a volunteer's dream job!* And it's all happening at the NRA Whittington Center in Raton, New Mexico—the most comprehensive shooting center in the nation.

The NRA Women On Target® Program is looking to fill volunteer slots for the Women's Wilderness Escape slated for July 13-26, 2008. If you are an NRA certified instructor or a state-certified hunter education instructor, we are looking to fill positions for rifle, pistol, shotgun, muzzleloading, and hunter clinic events. Other positions we are looking to fill, that do not require NRA instructor



certification are: photographer, transportation, administration, medic/nurse, archery, orienteering, and survival. Call Patty Zollman, 703.267.1378 or email pzollman@nrahq.org for an application.

Michigan and Illinois Sales Tax Collection

Anyone from the states of MICHIGAN (effective as of August 1, 2007) and ILLINOIS (effective as of September 1) purchasing merchandise from the NRA Program Materials Center will be charged state sales tax for that state.

NRA has been working with the Departments of Revenue in Michigan and Illinois to ensure our compliance with state laws, and we now need to charge sales tax on merchandise sales to residents of Michigan and Illinois. Your NRA Trainers' Order Form for 2007 was printed before we got this directive, so please help us out by automatically adding in your Michigan and Illinois state sales tax on mail-in orders. The online Program Materials Center has already been updated to collect these taxes on orders being placed by Michigan and Illinois residents.

Anytime there are changes, confusion follows, so we hope that this sidebar has helped explain why we are collecting these taxes. The NRA Training Department staff wishes to thank you in advance and appreciates your assistance in helping NRA comply with these state regulations! This compliance helps us to preserve our long-term reputation with the states.



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The N Range™ System accurately sends a lightweight, low velocity projectile into the target box, where it is contained. The firearm recoils normally, and the ejected cartridge case is collected in the shell catcher, while the next round is fed into the chamber as the slide cycles.

You can now have a safe and effective shooting range in virtually any environment, without sacrificing firearm function or realism. The N Range™ Shooting System has even been approved by NRA for use in the FIRST STEPS Pistol Course and for the shooting portion of NRA Pistol Instructors courses. You can now conduct training classes without a conventional shooting range!

This is a serious shooting system for serious shooters. For more information on how the N Range™ system works, visit the N Range™ website at www.nrange.com

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NRA Honors Three Women for Leadership in the Shooting Sports

The National Rifle Association has honored three women for their exceptional contributions to the preservation of the Second Amendment and the shooting sports through education, advocacy, volunteerism, and legislative activism in support of the goals of the NRA.

Eddie P. Reynolds, an NRA Board member, is the recipient of the 2007 Sybil Ludington Women's Freedom Award, which recognizes achievements in support of Second Amendment rights and/or the shooting sports at the national level. A lifelong shooter, Reynolds is a five-time Women's National Champion in Smallbore Prone and has numerous other shooting titles to her credit. She was an assistant rifle coach at North Carolina State University from 1974 to 2000, and is an NRA Certified Coach, Instructor, and Range Safety Officer.

As an instructor and coach, Reynolds has worked tirelessly to train young people in the safe use of firearms, particularly as a rifle counselor at a girls' summer camp in Vermont for many years. She continues to strive to get women and young people involved in hunting and shooting through her support of the NRA's Women on Target® Program, Youth Hunter Education Challenge, and Eddie Eagle GunSafe® Program.

Reynolds, who hails from Raleigh, N.C., is also the Chairperson of the NRA Smallbore Rifle,

Collegiate Programs, and Competition Rules and Programs Committees, and is the Vice Chairperson of the NRA Youth Programs and Air Gun Committees.



Eddie Reynolds

Two Marion P. Hammer Woman of Distinction Awards, which recognize achievements in support of Second Amendment rights and/or the shooting sports at the local, state, and regional levels, were presented this year to Susan J. Darnall of Bloomington, Ill., and Kate Ferraro-Creigh of Cypress, Texas.

Darnall, an NRA Life member and former Board member for the Illinois State Rifle Association, has devoted her life to giving others the opportunity to enjoy hunting and shooting. For 12 years, Darnall served as an Illinois Department of Natural Resources hunter education instructor. Since 1994, she has run Darnall's Youth Shooting Clinic, which attracts more than 100 youths annually and is the longest-running NRA youth camp in the country. As an NRA Certified Pistol, Rifle, and Shotgun Instructor and Chief Range Safety Officer, she has taught some 1,500 youths how to safely enjoy the shooting sports. On a daily

basis, Darnall provides gun and range services to her local community through the business that she

owns and operates with her husband, Ron.

Ferraro-Creigh uses her position as a classroom teacher in Houston, Texas, to teach young people about gun safety and Second Amendment rights. A champion of women's interests in the shooting sports, she has penned articles for such national publications as *Women's Outlook*, *Women & Guns*, *SHOOT*, and *Cowboy Chronicle*. She served on the Board of Directors of the Cowboy Action Shooting Club for four years, and is involved with the Single Action Shooting Society, which was founded by her husband, Harper. Ferraro-Creigh's vigorous support of the shooting sports has added countless youngsters and women to the ranks

of hunters and shooters through the years. An accomplished hunter and competitive shooter, she also holds many titles in her shooting sport of choice, Cowboy Action Shooting.



Kate Ferraro-Creigh

The Sybil Ludington Women's Freedom Award, named for a heroine of the American Revolution, has been awarded since 1995. Named after the first female president of the National Rifle Association, the Marion P. Hammer Woman of Distinction Award was created in 2004.

For more information on both awards, or to find out how to nominate a deserving woman, please visit the NRA Women's Programs Department at www.nrahq.org/women/awards.asp or call (800) 861-1166.



Susan J. Darnall

First NRA Women's Scholarship Awarded

Rebekah Dritz of Ft. Collins, CO, has been selected as the winner of the Women's Wildlife Management/Conservation Scholarship from the Women of the NRA.

This scholarship, established by NRA's Women's Policies Committee and administered by The NRA Foundation, is a renewable, one-year, \$1,000 scholarship available to full-time female college juniors or seniors with a minimum grade point of 3.0 majoring in wildlife management/conservation.

Commenting on the award, Sue King, NRA Board member and Chair of the Women's Policies Committee, said, "We selected Rebekah because of her exceptional devotion to wildlife conservation as a career, and the contributions we believe she will ultimately make to the profession. Her academic success, her work ethic, and her understanding of the vital role that hunting plays in wildlife management were contributing factors as well."

Although just a junior at Colorado State University, Dritz has completed almost all the requirements for a

double major in Wildlife Biology and Fisheries Biology. She is carrying a 3.9 grade point average despite working up to 20 hours a week as a lab technician in the school's Department of Fishery and Wildlife Biology. She has volunteered to do field work on several wildlife, fisheries and ecological studies, and is an active member of the Wildlife Society and the American Fisheries Society as well as the National Rifle Association.

"It's nice to have the recognition from the NRA. A scholarship like this helps people who are interested in a career of working outdoors start off on the right path," Dritz said, who says she first heard about the scholarship through a teacher at her university. "I'm pretty excited because any money that can help me go to college is great."

For more information on the scholarship, or to find out how to apply, please contact the NRA Women's Programs Department at (800) 861-1166 or visit online at www.nrahq.org/women/awards/wmc-scholarship.asp.

NEW! Women On Target® Marksmanship Qualification Patches

Ladies, have you wondered how you can learn to shoot better? Or have you been looking for goals that are attainable to work on, all the while improving your overall shooting scores? We have a great opportunity for you. *It's Women on Target® NRA Marksmanship Qualification Patches!*

Here's how easy it is:

- Order the Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification program booklet, item # 09525, by calling the NRA Program Materials Center at (800) 336-7402 or by visiting <http://materials.nrahq.org>.
- Select your course of fire.
- Visit www.nrahq.org/women/quals.asp to download the registration form, or call 703-267-1413 to have one sent to you.
- Order the corresponding Women on Target® Rifle, Pistol, or Shotgun qualification patch to attach to your shooting vest. (Ordering skill rating packets at the same time saves shipping charges too.)
- Gather your friends, go to the range and start shooting!

The program is self-guided so there is no time limit for you, and no rush. Once you progress through the stages, reward yourself and your accomplishments with the corresponding skill rating awards.



The best part of the Qualification program is that you can participate on-your-own. It's an honor system. You track your practice scores on the firing-line, progressing from beginning ratings—Pro-Marksman, Marksman—through intermediate ratings—Marksman 1st Class, Sharpshooter, Expert—up to a nationally recognized rating—Distinguished Expert.

Once you have reached the highest skill rating, Distinguished Expert, the NRA will promote you, your picture, and your Distinguished Expert success on the Women On Target® Qualification web page provided you pre-registered.

What are you waiting for? Grab your favorite firearm, some friends and hit the range! If you have any questions, call (800) 861-1166 or email dconni@nrahq.org.

Training and Workshop Schedules

NRA Training Counselor Workshop Schedule

MICHIGAN (Berrin Springs)

August 24-26

Martin Prillwitz, (269) 463-3472

NEW JERSEY (Riverdale)

August 24-26

Anthoni Alampi, (201) 791-1136

WASHINGTON (Bothell)

August 24-26

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VIRGINIA (Staunton)

August 31 - September 2

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TENNESSEE (Vol State College/Gallatin)

September 14-16

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bushmfg@comcast.net

MICHIGAN (Traverse City)

October 12-14

Barry Anderson, (616) 791-9378

barry45acp@aol.com

ARIZONA (Tucson)

October 19-21

Chester Manning, (520) 0464

CALIFORNIA (Valencia)

October 19-21

Kerry Miller, (734) 485-9814

DENVER (Colorado)

October 26-28

Gordon Ulrickson, (303) 777-4794

gordon.ulrickson@profire.us

TEXAS (Fort Worth)

October 26-28

Ralph Riggs, (972) 571-7313

ralph@shootsafe.com

NEW YORK (Nassau County)

November 9-11

David Rivera, (516) 241-8611

tcws@dr-security.com

MINNESOTA (Cannon Falls/St. Paul)

November 30-December 2

Sue Bierly, (507) 533-4307

Dasut@aol.com

For more information, contact the Training Counselors listed here. For the most current schedule, visit www.nrahq.org/education.

Women On Target® Hunts

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September 11-14, 2007 (only 1 left)

Wyoming Antelope (\$2,013)

September 23-27, 2007

South Dakota Pheasant (\$1,840)

October 4-8, 2007

Nebraska Pheasant and Chukar (\$334)

October 26-28, 2007

Alabama Deer, Hog, Coyote, Bobcat, and Fox (\$1,490)

Nov. 29 - Dec. 2, 2007 (only 2 left)

Texas Waterfowl and Hog (\$915)

December 7-9, 2007

Texas Whitetail Deer (\$575)

January 11-13, 2008

If you would like more information about these or future hunts, contact Denise Conni, NRA Women's Hunts Coordinator, at (703) 267-1413.

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NRA/USA Shooting Coach Training Schools

RIFLE (LEVEL 1)

SOUTH CAROLINA (Union)

September 8-9

Paul Davis, (864) 427-0654

paulldavis@charter.net

VIRGINIA (Centreville)

October 13-14

Al Fehltings, (703) 676-0428

allan.d.fehltings@saic.com

SHOTGUN (LEVEL 1)

TEXAS (Saint Jo)

October 19-21

Russ Arnold, (477-2734

rgatca@charter.net

LEVEL 1 AND ADVANCED LEVEL 3:

RIFLE, PISTOL, SHOTGUN

COLORADO (Colorado Springs)

December 4-5

Bob Foth, bob.foth@usashooting.org

ASEP COACHING PRINCIPLES

CLASSROOM COURSE

COLORADO (Colorado Springs)

December 6

Bob Foth, bob.foth@usashooting.org

For more information, contact the Coaches listed here.

For current schedule, visit www.nrahq.org/education.

Hat Tip

NRA Training Counselor Anthony Alampi contacted the Training Department recently regarding the Basic Rifle and Shotgun courses. He pointed out that we do not include cartridge malfunctions in the Basic courses like we do in the FIRST Steps Rifle & Shotgun, as well as the Basic Pistol course. I want you to know that we will add "Cartridge Malfunctions" to the Basic Rifle and Shotgun Shooting Course Lesson Plans with the next printing. Thanks to Anthony for pointing this out!

John Howard,

NRA National Instructor Trainer

Women On Target® Instructional Shooting Clinics

NEW YORK (Waterloo)

September 8

Rifle

Richard Eaton, (585) 526-7139

OKLAHOMA (Oklahoma City)

September 8

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Suzi Rouse, (405) 842-8828

VIRGINIA (Fincastle)

September 8

Pistol, Rifle

Gene Strickler, (540) 473-2345

NEW HAMPSHIRE (Keene)

September 8

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Vanessa Warner, (603) 721-6481

MICHIGAN (Williamston)

September 10

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Robert Reed, (248) 961-2300

MARYLAND (Marriottsville)

September 13

Pistol, Rifle

Cathy Culver, (301) 776-4488

MICHIGAN (Bay City)

September 15

Pistol, Rifle

Thomas Monto, (989) 631-3079

MICHIGAN (Plymouth)

September 15

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Karen Petzold, (248) 486-9532

PENNSYLVANIA (Mansfield)

September 15

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun, Muzzleloader

Mary Robinson-Slabey, (570) 662-3858

ILLINOIS (Yorkville)

September 15

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Allison Hartman, (773) 324-5539

WISCONSIN (Muskegee)

September 15

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

John Nielson, (262) 782-5150

KANSAS (Sawyer)

September 25

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Harry Williams, (620) 594-2248

NEW Women On Target® Instructional Shooting Clinic brochure.
Order by calling the NRA Program Materials Center at (800) 336-7402 or online at materials.nrahq.org. Item #WI 09932 \$0.25 Each

CALIFORNIA (San Rafael)

September 19

Pistol

Ron Saccardo, (415) 892-9350

NORTH CAROLINA (Columbus)

September 22

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Margaret Kell, (828) 859-5633

NORTH CAROLINA (Asheville)

September 22

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Penny Gilliam, (828) 691-0801

WASHINGTON (Olympia)

September 22

Pistol, Rifle

Shirley Rheault, (360) 866-4900

OHIO (Marietta)

September 22

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Diane Doyle, (740) 585-2649

MICHIGAN (Commerce Township)

September 29

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun, Muzzleloader

Cal Kittinger, (248) 354-4449

KANSAS (Wichita)

September 29

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun, Muzzleloader

Jim Fry, (316) 788-5026

SOUTH CAROLINA (Ridgeville)

September 30

Pistol

Judith Marshall, (843) 767-0478

ARIZONA (Phoenix)

October 6

Pistol

Carol Ruh, (603) 817-4881

OHIO (Delaware)

October 6

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Robin Slavo, (706) 781-4392

MICHIGAN (Commerce Township)

October 13

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun, Muzzleloader

Cal Kittinger, (248) 354-4449

TEXAS (Kerrville)

October 13

Pistol, Shotgun

Deb Wardlaw,

(619) 504-2066

MARYLAND

(Marriottsville)

October 13

Shotgun

Cathy Culver, (301) 776-4488

OHIO (Dennison)

October 20

Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Kimberly Hobart, (330) 206-5802

CALIFORNIA (El Cajon)

October 20

Pistol, Shotgun

Dexter Haight, (760) 789-5332

CALIFORNIA (Cotati)

October 21

Pistol

Brenda Schmale, (707) 829-3968



Refuse To Be A Victim® Seminars

VIRGINIA (Manassas Park)

September 15

OHIO (Delaware)

September 21

OHIO (Delaware)

October 19

MASSACHUSETTS (Brockton)

October 20

OHIO (Delaware)

November 24

OHIO (New Philadelphia)

November 30

For more information and to sign up for one of these seminars, contact the Refuse To Be A Victim Program Coordinator at (703) 267-1394.

For more information, contact the [Trainers listed here](#).
For current schedule, visit www.nrahq.org/women.

New Products Corner

JROTC MARKSMANSHIP QUALIFICATION CHANGES

All levels of the JROTC Marksmanship Qualification Program will now be covered with the new JROTC Combined Certificate, except for the JROTC Distinguished Expert Certificate, which will remain separate. As a result, when you order the JROTC Pro-Marksman Packet (item # EQ 20003), you will now receive a Pro-Marksman Rocker, a Pro-Marksman Medal, and a JROTC Combined Certificate Kit, which includes the new JROTC Combined Certificate and *nine* Stickers.

The Combined Certificate is set up so that every level of the JROTC Qualification Program is listed on this one certificate, except for Distinguished Expert. Each level has the rating printed on the certificate with a circle located above it. You take one of the round stickers off of the sheet of nine that you will receive with your packet and place it on the circle that represents each level that you have obtained. As you continue to move up the level of award earned, you will place a sticker at that new level, all the way through Expert. Once you reach the Distinguished Expert level, a separate Distinguished Expert Packet is available for purchase which contains the new JROTC Distinguished Expert Certificate.

NOTE: For those JROTC units who have individuals that have already surpassed the Pro-Marksman level, but have not yet achieved the Distinguished Expert level, you will be able to obtain for a limited time, both the combination certificate and stickers on a no charge basis. These certificates and stickers will be sent to you directly from NRA HQ, *not* from the Program Materials Center in West

Virginia. Please note that you will still be responsible for purchasing from the Program Materials Center the Marksman, Sharpshooter and Expert Skill Level Packets to provide to your participants.

Please contact Barry Ranney, Marksmanship Qualification Coordinator, at (703) 267-1505 or branneyn@nrahq.org, to obtain these certificates and stickers.

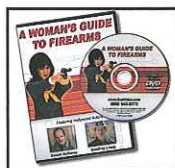


NEW JROTC PACKET PRICES:

- **JROTC Pro-Marksman Packet** (EQ 20003), contains the new all-skill level certificate described above as well as the Pro-Marksman medal and rocker — \$ 6.25
- **JROTC Marksman Packet** (EQ 20008), contains Marksman medal and rocker — \$4.00
- **JROTC Sharpshooter Packet** (EQ 20018), contains Sharpshooter medal and rocker — \$4.00
- **JROTC Expert Packet** (EQ 20023), contains Expert medal and rocker — \$4.00
- **JROTC Distinguished Expert Packet** (EQ 20028), remains the same at \$17.50 and contains the new Distinguished Expert certificate, medal and rocker.

WOMEN'S PROGRAMS PRICE CHANGES AND DISCOUNTS

- **Women's Guide To Firearms** (ES 30076), now available in DVD format — \$15.95.
- **Women On Target Hat** (WI 09981), red with black trim, Velcro closure in back for universal fit — \$5.00
- **Women On Target "Staff" Vest** (WI 09979), red mesh with white lettering, Velcro closure in front, 2 mesh front pockets, black stretch elastic at sides for universal fit — \$ 7.00



OTHER PRICE CHANGES

- **Personal Protection In The Home Student Packet** (ES 26834) — \$9.95.
- **Personal Protection In The Home Handbook** (ES 26828) — \$9.95.
- **NRA Members' Wild Game Cookbook** (HS 05840) — \$14.95.

To purchase any of the items listed on this page, contact the NRA Program Materials Center at (800) 336-7402 or visit online at <http://materials.nrahq.org>.

New Rockers for the Shotgun Qualification Program

In a continuing effort to enhance the Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program and generate more interest in shooting, the NRA Education and Training Division is pleased to announce the expansion of the Shotgun Marksmanship Qualification Program into three separate clay target sport disciplines.

Now shotgunners can earn qualification awards through the Distinguished Expert level in skeet, trap, and sporting clays (including 5-Stand) separately. Previously, the single shotgun qualification award's levels could be attained by shooting either skeet, trap or sporting clays, but once earned by accomplishments in any one of these sports, there was no additional recognition available for those who shoot more than one clay target sport.

Newly designed skeet, trap and sporting clays rockers are now used with the shotgun qualification patch to differentiate between the sports (see the accompanying photo).

The shotgun clay target sports are among the fastest growing shooting sports. Shooters can "gauge" their improvement with the Shotgun Qualification Programs and proudly display evidence of their achievements with these attractive awards adorning their shooting vests.



The patch and rockers, as well as the Qualification Program medals, pins and certificates for each level are available from the NRA Program Materials Center at 1-800-336-7402 or online at <http://materials.nrahq.org>.

- Shotgun Qualification Patch
EQ 11030—\$2.75
- Skeet Qualification Rocker
EQ 11033—\$0.90
- Trap Qualification Rocker
EQ 11034—\$0.90
- Sporting Clays Qualification Rocker
EQ 11037—\$0.90

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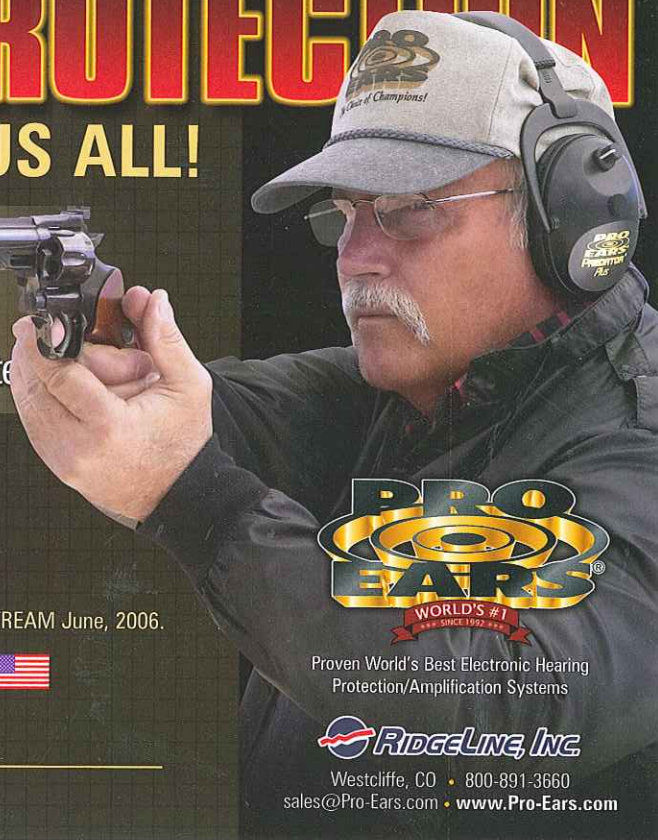
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Teaching a Class Soon?

Make Sure to Plan Ahead!

To all new and current trainers, are you getting ready to teach a class soon? Do you know what to do to avoid getting caught short of training materials? It is really very simple....*plan ahead!*

We cannot emphasize enough to allow 3 to 4 weeks for delivery of your training materials order *after* you have placed your order either online, by telephone, or by mail. In addition, plan to have your materials arrive at least two weeks prior to your course. So, start ordering five to six weeks in advance. If you are worried about additional persons signing up for your courses, order extra materials and keep them on hand. Sooner or later you are sure to use them, if not for this class then for another.

Why allow so much time? Occasionally we run into backorder situations. Even though we try very

hard not to allow this to happen, Murphy's Law prevails. This is when timing is everything!

If you follow the guidelines listed above, you should not be without the materials you need for your scheduled class. There have been instances where trainers wait until the last minute and try to order their materials to be shipped by expedited services. If the materials are not available they cannot be shipped by any method. Don't put yourself and your students in a bind, order in plenty of time!

What happens if you order online? You need to allow 72 hours just for order processing in addition to shipping time. Again, if items are in backorder for any reason, you will not receive your order until the items are back in stock. Keep the five to six weeks time frame in mind even for

on-line orders. Orders logged into the on-line system will be fulfilled in the order they were received. If you try to call the Program Materials Center in West Virginia and they cannot tell you exactly when your backorder will be shipped out, this is the reason. However, they will ship out your orders in a timely manner.

Why is it important to examine your shipment as soon as it arrives? In case something is incorrect with your order. This simple act will allow you enough time to contact the Program Materials Center and get the proper items sent to you in time for your class. This is where it is wise to have your materials arrive at least two weeks prior to your class.

We know you get tired of hearing this, but timing really is everything when it comes to ordering course materials. *Plan Ahead!*

2007 Coach Conference

The Coach Conference, hosted by USA Shooting at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado, scheduled for December 7-9, 2007, provides coaches at all levels an opportunity to improve their knowledge base in the shooting sports. Conducted once every two years, the Coach Conference gives attendees the chance to share ideas on a wide range of topics with the very best coaches in the United States and from around the world. Registration will begin later this summer. Visit www.usashooting.org for more information and registration information as it becomes available.

In conjunction with the Coach Conference, the Coach Education Program will conduct training courses in the rifle, pistol, and shotgun disciplines the week before the conference at the Olympic

Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The courses and the conference provide an excellent opportunity to observe and meet our best shooting athletes training to represent the United States in the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing, China. Living and eating with athletes from the many different sports supported at the Olympic Training Center can provide a unique perspective on what it takes to be a great shooter and potential Olympic Champion.

Anyone who serves as a leader, coach, instructor, or active parent in a high school or junior shooting program can benefit from the training courses and conference presentations. If you work with young shooters and want to grow and improve your program, you belong at the 2007 National Coach Conference. Mark it on your calendar!

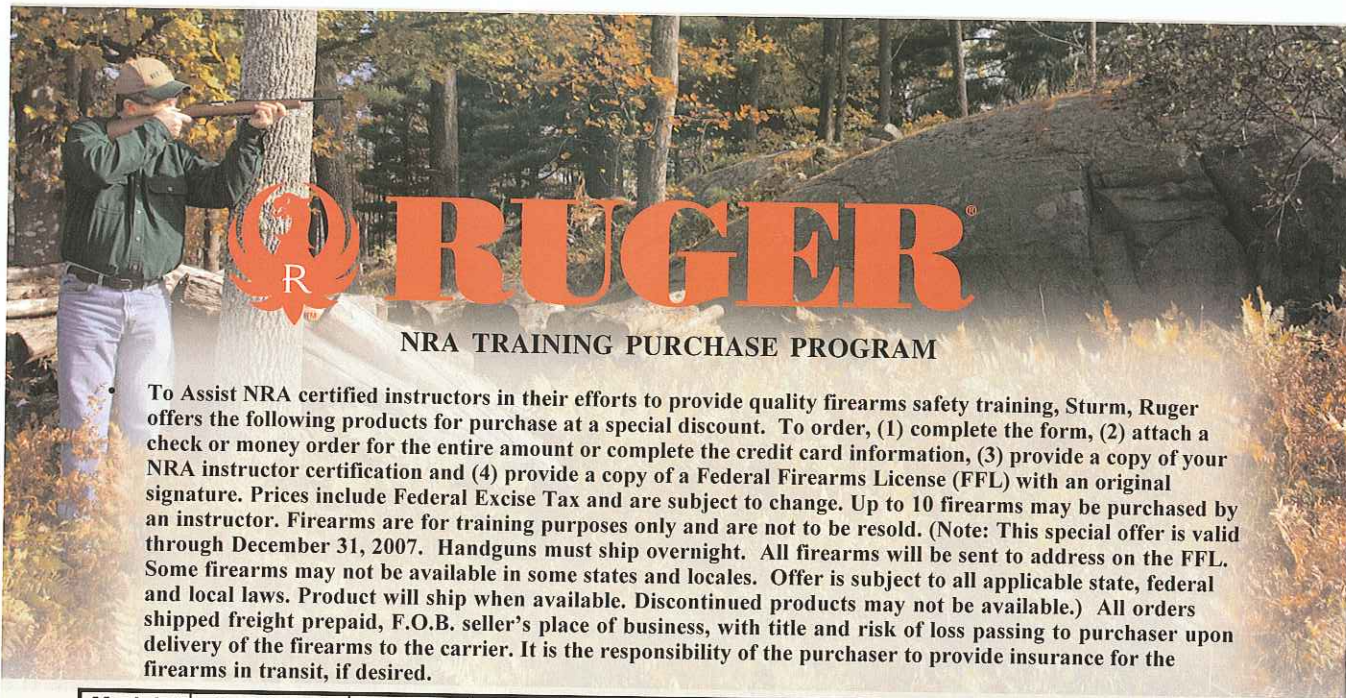
For more information contact the NRA Coach Education Program at (703) 267-1589 or mraab@nrahq.org.

December 2-3 • National Coach Development Staff (NCDS) — rifle, pistol, shotgun training. By invitation only.

December 4-5 • Coach Level 1 Training Schools — rifle, pistol, and shotgun.

December 4-6 • Advanced Certified Coach Level 3 Training School — rifle, pistol, and shotgun (NEW!). Certified Coach Level 2 credential in the same discipline is required to attend this course.

December 6 • American Sport Education Program (ASEP) Coaching Principles — classroom version. This course is one of the requirements to attain the Certified Coach Level 2 credential.



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To Assist NRA certified instructors in their efforts to provide quality firearms safety training, Sturm, Ruger offers the following products for purchase at a special discount. To order, (1) complete the form, (2) attach a check or money order for the entire amount or complete the credit card information, (3) provide a copy of your NRA instructor certification and (4) provide a copy of a Federal Firearms License (FFL) with an original signature. Prices include Federal Excise Tax and are subject to change. Up to 10 firearms may be purchased by an instructor. Firearms are for training purposes only and are not to be resold. (Note: This special offer is valid through December 31, 2007. Handguns must ship overnight. All firearms will be sent to address on the FFL. Some firearms may not be available in some states and locales. Offer is subject to all applicable state, federal and local laws. Product will ship when available. Discontinued products may not be available.) All orders shipped freight prepaid, F.O.B. seller's place of business, with title and risk of loss passing to purchaser upon delivery of the firearms to the carrier. It is the responsibility of the purchaser to provide insurance for the firearms in transit, if desired.

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13015	P95PR15	3.9"	Fixed	Blued	15	9mm	\$284.18		
3435	P944	4.2"	Fixed	Blued	10	.40S&W	\$316.11		
6602	P90	4.5"	Fixed	Blued	8	.45 Auto	\$335.27		
10621	NR-5L	5.5"	Adjustable	Blued	6	.22LR/Mag	\$271.41		
0661	NR-6-17	6.5"	Fixed	Blued	6	.17HMR	\$271.41		
10455	BN-44L	4.6"	Adjustable	Blued	6	45 Colt	\$316.11		
1140	K10/22-RPF	18.5"	Adjustable	Stainless	10	.22LR	\$185.64		
1103	10/22-RB	18.5"	Adjustable	Blued	10	.22LR	\$157.33		
6203	96/17M	18.5"	Adjustable	Blued	9	.17HMR	\$271.41		
7024	77/17-RM	22"	Adjustable	Blued	9	.17HMR	\$440.63		
0862	KS-47NHB	7.5"	Adjustable	Stainless	6	.44 Mag	\$456.60		
5001	KRH-44	7.5"	Adjustable	Stainless	6	.44 Mag	\$502.94		
5748	KSP-3231X	3.1	Adjustable	Stainless	6	.32 Mag	\$354.64		
5737	KSP-821X	2.25"	Fixed	Stainless	5	.38+P	\$354.64		
5718	KSP-321X	2.25"	Fixed	Stainless	5	.357 Mag	\$354.64		
17847	KM77VTMKII	26"	None	Stainless	5	.204Ruger	\$574.10		
7119	HKM77RFP	22"	None	Stainless	4	.270 Win	\$478.31		
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Answers to the Trainer's Quiz

Take the NRA Trainer's Quiz on Page 2

1. What eligibility prerequisites must one have to apply to become an NRA Training Counselor?

ANSWER: You must have been an NRA Instructor for two years, and conducted five formal NRA courses totaling a minimum of 25 people, and you must have reported this training to the Education and Training Div.

2. Can I get a list of every NRA Instructor in my state?

ANSWER: No, NRA does not give out complete instructor lists; however, you may receive a list of several instructors who are closest to your zip code.

3. Does NRA Education and Training publish its employees phone numbers and email addresses?

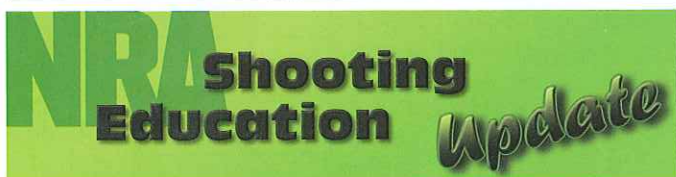
ANSWER: Yes, on the back of every NRA Certified instructor card there is a phone number for NRA Education and Training Programs. The NRA also puts the direct numbers and email addresses for each NRA program on the NRA's website. Phone numbers and email addresses can also be found in each issue of the training newsletter the *Shooting Education Update*.

4. I received a complaint from one of my students regarding another NRA instructor, what will the NRA do about this situation?

ANSWER: The NRA Training Department investigates each complaint on a case by case basis, and makes a decision as to the outcome on each case individually after a complete investigation. In order for the Training Department to conduct a full investigation, we must receive written first hand knowledge of the incident. The investigations, identities, outcomes, or revocations are kept completely confidential by the NRA Training Department.

5. I haven't taught an NRA course in a while, can I renew my credentials?

ANSWER: Yes, the NRA has a number of instructors who are deployed, re-located, or have extenuating circumstances; therefore, we allow instructors to renew. If you have questions regarding your renewal, please contact the credentials department at (703) 267-1420 or (703) 267-1427.



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