

NRA Basic Pistol Course

(Offered by Nipmuc Rod and Gun Club, Upton, MA)

Course Description

The NRA Basic Pistol Course is approximately 8 total hours in duration and includes classroom and practical range or “live fire” time. It is designed to teach safety and fundamentals to the new or novice shooter. The course is conducted over two separate days broken out as follows:

Session 1	Session 2A	Session 2B
Introductions	Fundamental Review and Safety briefing	Classroom – Gun Cleaning
Classroom Instructions – Handgun Types and Actions	Range Time - First Shots	Written Exam and Review
Classroom Instructions – Shooting Positions	Position Improvements and Changes (Bench to Standing)	Massachusetts Firearms law Primer
Classroom Instructions – Shooting Fundamentals	Process Improvements	Next Steps
Review of NRA handbook	Consistency Improvements	Q & A
Review of Shooting Positions & Fundamentals	Optional – Introduction to large calibers	Wrap-up

Those who successfully pass the course will receive a NRA Basic Pistol Certificate as well as a Massachusetts Basic Firearms Certificate which is needed to meet the statutory requirements for a Massachusetts License to Carry (LTC) or a Firearms ID card (FID).

Certified Instructor

The course is offered by Todd Smith, a long time member of Nipmuc Rod and Gun Club in Upton, MA and Hopedale Pistol and Rifle Club in Hopedale, MA. Todd is a NRA Certified Instructor for Pistol, Rifle, and Home Safety. He has a Chief Safety Range Officers Certification from the NRA; a Level 1 Coaching Credentials from the NRA for Pistol and Rifle; a Firearms Safety Instructors Certification from the State Police of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and is a Certified Armalite Armourer and CMP GSM Master Instructor.

Cost

The cost for the course is \$85 for Nipmuc Rod and Gun Club members and \$110 for non-members. The fee covers all materials including NRA Student Packs, ammunition, hearing and eye protection. A deposit of \$25 will be needed at least 2 week prior to the class so that course materials can be purchased for you. The balance is due on the first day of the course. Cash or check is accepted.

Course Schedules

1. Sundays (1pm-5pm) on December 4 & 11, 2011
2. Sundays (1pm-5pm) on March 11 & 18, 2012
3. Sundays (1pm-5pm) on June 3 & 10, 2012

Location

- Nipmuc Rod and Gun Club, 88 Fiske Mill Rd., Upton, MA

Next Steps

1. Please send an email to info@nipmucrodandgun.com to request the next available course.
2. Complete and return the registration form below and mail a \$25 check to Nipmuc Rod & Gun Club, PO Box 171, Hopedale, MA. 01747 **two weeks** prior to the course. The deposit is needed to secure your attendance in the course.

NRA Basic Pistol Student Information and Registration

Thank you for your interest in participating in a conscientious act of firearm ownership by learning how to handle your firearm in safe, effective, and responsible manner. Please provide the following information. Please **print legibly**.

First Name:	
Middle Name:	
Last Name:	
Suffix:	
Date of Birth:	
Phone:	
Email:	
NRA Member ID:	
Course Date:	

Legal Address:

Street 1:	
Street 2:	
City:	
State:	
Zip Code:	

Shipping or Mailing Address (if different from legal address)

Street 1:	
Street 2:	
City:	
State:	
Zip Code:	

Please note that a deposit of \$25.00/person is required **at least 2 weeks** before the start of the course. Balance is due on the first day of the class. Cash or check only is accepted. **Students are required to complete a Student Affidavit and to provide a photocopy of their driver's license or other suitable form of photo identification.** Minor Students must complete the Minor Student Affidavit. Please make check payable to Nipmuc Rod and Gun Club.

*** Please mail registration form and \$25 check to Nipmuc Rod and Gun Club, PO Box 171, Hopedale, MA 01747. Registration Form and check must be received 2 weeks prior to start of class to secure your place in the course.*

Student Affidavit

I hereby certify that I:

1. am a citizen of the United States 18 years of age or older;
2. am not under indictment in any court for a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year;
3. have not been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year;
4. am not an unlawful user of, or addicted to, marijuana or any depressant, stimulant, or narcotic drug, or any other controlled substance;
5. am not a fugitive from justice;
6. have not been adjudicated mentally defective or committed to a mental institution;
7. have not been discharged from the Armed Forces under dishonorable conditions;
8. am not an alien illegally in the United States;
9. am not subject to a court order applicable to me under 18 U.S.C. §922(g)(8), restraining me from harassing, stalking, or threatening an intimate partner or child of such partner;
10. have not been convicted in any court of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence applicable to me under 18 U.S.C. §922(g)(9), including any misdemeanor conviction involving the use or attempted use of physical force committed by a current or former spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim or by a person with a similar relationship to the victim;
11. will not be in violation, by reason of my receipt or possession of a rifle, of any state law or published ordinance applicable where I reside;
12. have not been convicted of any federal or state felony or violation 18 U.S.C. §922, and
13. am not a member of any organization that advocates the violent overthrow of the United State Government.

I understand that that there are inherent dangers and risks in the use of firearms and while all reasonable efforts have been made to provide a safe instructional environment, that accidents can happen. I have full knowledge of the nature and extent of all the risks associated with the use of firearms. I hold harmless and indemnify Todd E. Smith, Nipmuc Rod and Gun Club, Hopedale Rifle and Pistol Club, and any other individuals participating in the instructional process from any and all causes of action, claims, demands, losses, or costs of any nature whatever arising out of or in any way relating to my use of a firearm. The undersigned student, agree to release and on behalf of myself, my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, and assigns, from any cause of action, claims, or demands, of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to, a claim of NEGLIGENCE, which I, my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, and assigns may now have, or have in the future against the Todd E. Smith on account of personal injury, property damage, death or accident of any kind, arising out of or in any way related to my use of a firearm, or injury or damage is caused, including, but not limited to the NEGLIGENCE of Todd E. Smith.

I acknowledge that in consideration of permission to participate in this activity that I freely agree to the terms of this Affidavit.

I further certify that I am in good health and that I have no physical limitations which would preclude my safe use of a firearm.

I understand that participating in this course does not guarantee that certifications will be issued by Todd E. Smith or that the civil authority will issue any license or permit to me based on the having received any certifications as a result of having taken this instructional course.

I understand that to successfully complete the course, I must attend all classes; display basic proficiency in the safe handling of a firearm and basic marksmanship; and must pass a written exam with a minimum score of 80%.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Please Print: _____

Instructor - Todd E. Smith