

## Appendix 4

# NRA INSTRUCTOR TRAINING PROGRAM PRE-COURSE QUALIFICATION

## SHOTGUN

Name of Candidate \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

The NRA Instructor Training Pre-Course Qualification is to be administered after the potential Instructor Candidate has achieved a minimum score of 90 percent on the Basic Shotgun Shooting Course Student Exam. The Pre-Course Qualification must be administered before an individual attends an Instructor Training Course and is a hands-on, practical exercise to evaluate an individual's knowledge, skills and attitude in safety, loading, unloading, clearing firearm stoppages, and shooting skills. The qualification is conducted in three phases.

**Passing/Failing:**

The NRA Pre-Course Qualification for Shotgun will have a maximum score of 100 points and a minimum passing score of 80 points. Minimum passing requirement must be met in each phase.

**Unsafe Gun Handling:**

Candidates who demonstrate unsafe gun handling will be given 0 points for that particular skill test. Examples of unsafe gun handling include pointing the gun in an unsafe direction or any area not designated as safe by the Training Counselor, sweeping one's own body, or placing the finger on the trigger before being ready to shoot.

**PHASE 1 - LOADING/UNLOADING**

Location: Classroom or Range

Using dummy ammunition, instructor candidate must load and unload a pump action shotgun, hinge action shotgun, and a semi-automatic shotgun.

***Requests for assistance will result in a deduction of 3 points per action type in the exercises; candidate will be given a score of 0 for safety violations.***

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**Loading**

Minimum Passing 12 points / Maximum 15 points

5 points maximum per action type

	Points
Pump Action Shotgun	_____
Hinge Action Shotgun	_____
Semi-Automatic Shotgun	_____
TOTAL	_____

**Unloading**

Minimum Passing 12 points / Maximum 15 points

5 points maximum per action type

	Points
Pump Action Shotgun	_____
Hinge Action Shotgun	_____
Semi-Automatic Shotgun	_____
TOTAL	_____

**PHASE 2 – CLEARING COMMON SHOTGUN STOPPAGES**

Location: Range

Using dummy ammunition, instructor candidate must demonstrate how to clear a common shotgun stoppage using a pump or semi-automatic shotgun. Training Counselor will set-up the shotgun and conduct a practical exercise involving failure to fire and double feeds.

***Requests for assistance will result in a deduction of 3 points per action type in the exercises; candidate will be given a score of 0 for safety violations.***

**FAILURE TO FIRE DRILL:** If candidate waits 30 seconds keeping the gun pointed in a safe direction, ejects the unfired shell properly, and attempts to refire, 5 points will be given.

**DOUBLE FEED DRILL:** If the candidate locks the bolt to the rear, removes the double feed, and chambers and fires a new shell, 5 points will be given.

Minimum Passing 7 points / Maximum 10 points  
5 points maximum per stoppage type

	Points
Shotgun Failure to Fire	_____
Shotgun Double Feed	_____
TOTAL	_____

**PHASE 3 – SHOTGUN SHOOTING**

Location: Range

Candidate will fire one 25-shot round of trap or skeet; when practical, give the prospective candidate his or her choice. When skeet is shot, the doubles may be shot as additional singles on stations 1, 2, 6, and 7. Minimum total hits of 13 must be attained. Alternatively, candidates may provide documented proof of having scored 50% or greater in any ATA or NSSA event or 45% in any NSCA event. Two refires are allowed within any 24-hour period.

SHOTGUN SHOOTING

Minimum Passing 49 points / Maximum 60 points

Targets Hit	Points	Targets Hit	Points
25	60	18	53.59
24	59.09	17	52.67
23	58.17	16	51.75
22	57.25	15	50.83
21	56.34	14	49.92
20	55.42	13	49
19	54.5	12 or less	0

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Score (minimum passing qualification score is 80 points) \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_