

Great Lakes Firearms Safety Training, LLC

NRA Basic Pistol Pre Course Qualifications

1. **Multiple Choice Exam** – The Instructor Candidate must score 90% or better on the NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course Student Exam.

Pre Course Qualification Gun Handling Skills

2. **Loading and Unloading** –Instructor Candidate must safely and properly load and unload pistols of different action types (Single Action Revolver, Double Action Revolver, Semi-Automatic Pistol)
 - Instructor Candidate must score a minimum of 12 points to pass
 - 5 points awarded per action type
 - A three point deduction will be accessed if student asks for assistance.
 - Zero points will be awarded if any safety violations occur during the demonstration.
3. **Malfunction Clearing** - Instructor Candidate must demonstrate how clear failure to fire and double feed malfunctions. .
 - 5 points will be awarded per malfunction type
 - A three point deduction will be accessed if student asks for assistance.
 - Zero points will be awarded if any safety violations occur during the demonstration
4. **Shooting Demonstration** – The Instructor Candidate must shoot one type of pistol of their choice, regardless of action, sights, or caliber, at a blank 9 inch diameter paper target at a distance of 15 yards. Candidates will fire 20 shots from a two-handed, unsupported, standing position. Targets will be broken into two ten-shot targets or four five-shot targets.
 - Three points will be given for each scoring hit.
 - In order for a hit to count, it must fall inside a ½” border from the edge of the plate.
 - Shots that break the edge of the ½” border will count as hits.
 - All scoring hits on a target must be within a 6” or less extreme spread.
 - Candidates will be allowed to shoot their own firearms if desired.
 - Two requalification shoots are allowed within any 24-hour period.

Substitute for Pre Course Qualification Gun Handling Skills

Alternatively, candidates may provide documented proof of Classified Sharpshooter or better in NRA Conventional or Action Pistol, Classified Marksman or better in International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA) or Classified “C” or better in US Practical Shooting Association (USPSA)/International Practical Shooting Confederation (IPSC) or a certification as an NRA LEAD Handgun/Shotgun or Tactical Handgun certified instructor.