



# Joining Instructions for RFMA Practical Shotgun

## Introduction

Welcome to the RFMA Practical Shotgun Course. Practical Shotgun is intended to familiarize shooters with the handling and use of a modern shotgun, in a practical sporting environment. Students are expected to have completed either Carbine 1, or Pistol 1, and possess a basic knowledge of Shotgun handling, and firearms safety, prior to attending this course. This course has been developed for you, the sport shooter, to assist you in getting the most enjoyment out of the growing action shooting disciplines and will mesh with future planned RFMA courses. This training starts basic shotgun handling, and ties in several advanced skills, and provides a firm base for more advanced training.

This is a custom designed course offered exclusively by Rob Furlong's Marksmanship Academy, and delivered by world class instructors. This course is an intense, interactive training opportunity for all participants running over a one-day period. The course contains a large amount of information and skills to absorb and process in a short amount of time. You are encouraged to take in as much of the course as possible to gain insight into the methods and techniques taught during this training as well as the teaching philosophy of our instructors. We ask participants to attend the course with a professional attitude, and an open mind. This will allow for the largest amount of material retention, and provide the best learning atmosphere for everyone.

The course will be held at the **Canadian Historical Arms Society(CHAS) Range,** near Genesee, AB. Participants will be furnished with specific dates, times, and locations for initial contact with our staff. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us anytime.

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# **Course Outline**

- Safety
- Shotgun action/Operation
- Equipment Considerations
- Care, Feeding, and Employment of the Practical Shotgun





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#### **Dress and Equipment**

The dress for this course is what is comfortable for you. The training will be on the range no matter what the weather is like, so dress according to the weather. We will be outside 8-10 hours depending on range applications. Conditions can include dust, mud, rain, snow, wind and extremes of temperature. Dress should be appropriate to weather conditions. Recommended clothing is listed below:

- □ Hiking style boots
- $\hfill\square$  Shooting gloves
- □ Heavier pants
- □ Knee pads (optional)
- □ Rain wear
- □ Cold weather clothing
- □ Cap or Toque
- $\Box$  Hat (for sun protection)
- □ Water bottle
- Day pack

Equipment needed while on course:

- □ Modern Shotgun- Pump or Semi Automatic (tactical shotgun is not required, Dad's old 870 is fine)
- □ 250 rounds of ammo- (including 200rds of target loads, #7 to #9 shot, and 50 slugs. **NO BUCKSHOT**)
- $\hfill\square$  Sights- Both Iron sights, and optics are suitable
- $\hfill\square$  Load Carriage equipment for shotgun ammo- shell racks, bandoliers, etc
- □ Writing material (pencil, pens & paper)
- $\hfill\square$  Cleaning supplies for your shotgun
- □ Small flashlight
- □ Hearing protection(electronic is preferable)
- $\hfill\square$  Eye protection
- $\hfill\square$  Vest, chest rig, Speed belt, etc, for load carriage





## Safety

This is our number one concern when instructing. Our instructors have complete control of the range when instructing, and directions must be followed by participants to ensure the safety of everyone. RFMA reserves the right to remove a participant(s) from course who is determined to be a risk to safety. If you observe any unsafe actions, or feel uncomfortable conducting any of the drills or shooting exercises, please advise the nearest RFMA instructor.

## Meals and Accommodations

Meals and accommodations will be the responsibility of the participants. We recommend that you bring something for lunch each day, as there is only one hour given for lunch.

### Transportation

All participants are expected to have their own transportation for use during the course.

# Photography equipment

We encourage all participants to bring a camera to capture your experiences while on course, but taking photographs must only be done when safe to do so, and must not interfere with course instruction.

## Forms and I.D.

On Friday morning, during the meet and greet, we will be handing out the following forms that must be completed before start of training. Once the form is completed we will also require two pieces of government ID. i.e: PAL, Driver's license, or Alberta Health.

- □ Personal Information and Emergency Notification Form
- □ Assumption of Personal Risk Agreement