

NEVADA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHOTGUN REFRESHER COURSE

- Course Title:** Shotgun Refresher Course
- Course Hours:** Eight (8) hours
- Course Goals:** To provide sworn staff instructions and reinforce sound and safe handling of the department approved Remington 870 12 gauge shotgun.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. Demonstrate their understanding of the Four Basic Safety Rules for handling firearms.
2. Demonstrate the ability to properly load, unload, and fire the weapon and to clear malfunctions that might occur with the weapon.
3. Demonstrate the ability to apply the fundamentals for safely and effectively operating a pump-action shotgun.

REQUIRED STUDENT EQUIPMENT:

1. Sig P226/P229 department issued handgun or Glock 22/23
2. 3 magazines
3. Duty belt consisting of a duty holster and magazine pouch at minimum.

COURSE OUTLINE:

1. Safety Brief
 - a. Treat all guns as if they are loaded.
 - b. Never point the muzzle at anything you are not willing to destroy.
 - c. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are aligned and on target.
 - d. Always be sure of your target and what lays beyond it.
2. Loading ammunition into magazine tube, effective cycling, and clearing malfunctions
 - a. After proper instruction by a rangemaster, the students will demonstrate their understanding and ability of how to safely and effectively load ammunition into the magazine tube and effectively cycle the action of a Remington 870.
 - b. Students will be instructed on how to clear malfunctions.
3. Combat loading

- a. Proper techniques will be explained then demonstrated to the students by a rangemaster.
 - b. After instruction, students will then shoot a course of fire demonstrating the previously demonstrated techniques.
4. Ammunition Transition
- a. Proper techniques will be explained then demonstrated to the students by a rangemaster.
 - b. After instruction, students will then demonstrate their understanding of the instruction by transition to a slug from a buckshot round during a live fire course on paper and steel targets.
5. Handgun Transition
- a. Proper techniques will be explained then demonstrated to the students by a rangemaster. Techniques include transition with and without a sling being utilized on the shotgun.
 - b. After instruction, the students will perform a course of fire that requires loading the shotgun's magazine tube, followed by combat loading the shotgun, and a transition to a handgun.

REQUIRED RANGE EQUIPMENT:

1. Remington 870 12 gauge shotguns
2. 12 gauge slugs
3. 12 gauge buckshot
4. 12 gauge target loads or birdshot
5. Handgun ammunition
6. Four (4) pepper popper steel targets
7. Two (2) A zone IPSC steel targets
8. Cardboard backers
9. B-27 style paper targets

RANGE SET-UP:



The range will be divided down the middle, allowing two students to go through the course of fire simultaneously. A total of four B-27 style targets, two on each half of the range, will be placed at the zero yard line. A Total of four pepper poppers will be placed at the 2-yard line, two on each half of the range. The pepper poppers will be placed on the outside of each B-27 target as pictured above. Two IPSC A-Zone targets will be placed on the outside edge of each half of the range as pictured above. All shooting will be conducted at the 25 yard line. * The pepper poppers need to be adjusted so the angle is forward, directing the gunfire towards the ground.