

TCGC Action Range certification Class

Please read the following completely before signing up for the class .

Cost - 40.00\$ payable in cash or cheque to TCGC on the morning of the class

Class objectives

The Goal of this class is to instill in all of the students the firearm handling habits, understanding of the safety principals and attitude to compete in an action shooting match. These are the same things which are required to use the action range.

Why? Because they are the gold standard of safety in a free form shooting environment.

Please understand that the class is developed on the training theory of crawl, walk then run.

Many of you will be exposed to these activities of the first time and it is unrealistic to believe that everyone will grasp and apply the concepts at the same rate.

The instructors are all experienced and skilled shooters. We will make suggestions to improve your shooting skills. Some of these will be different than what you have been taught and used in the past. Action shooting is not only about accuracy, it is also about speed and movement. Very specific techniques have been developed and you should be open minded and consider the benefits they offer.

If you are not interested, we are not here to force anyone to try them and we will leave you to be. But if you are interested, the instructors will show you the correct form and remind you when we see you slip.

All safety related techniques and practices are non-negotiable. They are the standard for using the action range and participating in matches. Failure to follow these and you will not continue with the class, leave the range immediately and not receive an action range certification at the sole discretion of the instructors without appeal.

After completion of the class members will be required to successfully complete one match to receive an action range sticker which will allow you to use the action range unsupervised and to take part in matches. Please note some matches require additional classes.

Covered topics

- Four laws of gun handling
- TCGC Action range rules
- Range commands
- Types of matches
- Equipment

Live fire skill building

- Proper sight picture
- Trigger control

- Drawing from a holster
- Speed reload
- Target transition
- Forward and lateral movement
- Shooting on the move
- Shooting around barricades
- Strong and weak hand only shooting

All students will shoot 3 sample stages at least once, we would prefer you shoot each multiple times as class time and ammunition allows.

Required equipment

-A safe and reliable center fire pistol. You will be expected to know how the safety system works and how to manipulate it. Make sure your firearm, magazines and ammunition work together reliably. If you are having constant malfunctions and disrupt the class you will be asked to leave and attend another class. Please take the time to test your equipment. Sub compact auto pistols and 5 shot compact revolvers are discouraged. Smaller pistols are simply more difficult to shoot and as you are learning new skills the added level of difficulty is unnecessary. **Your firearm must be unloaded, without a magazine in place and in a case or gun rug when you arrive at the range. Not loose in a range bag or in the holster. No exceptions.**

- Three reliable magazines or 4 speed loaders for a revolver. Marking and numbering you magazines is not a bad idea. Your magazines should have base pads which extend below the bottom of the pistol grip.
- 150 rounds of reliable ammunition, more is preferable. Remember we want you to be able to shoot the sample stages multiple times.
- A safe holster. The trigger and trigger guard must be fully covered. The top of the holster must remain open allowing the pistol to be holstered with one hand. The holster must have enough retention to securely hold the pistol when you jump 12 inches straight up yet not be so tight it pulls your belt up during a draw. **Holsters with thumb breaks are discouraged. No cross draw, shoulder or small of the back holsters allowed, no exceptions.**
- Mag/speed loader pouches for at least 2 magazines.
- A sturdy belt or belt system. It must be worn through the belt loops on your pants or attached securely with keepers or Velcro to a liner belt.
- A broad brimmed hat like a baseball cap. This is to prevent brass from falling between your face and glasses.
- Eye and ear protection. Please invest in quality comfortable glasses, you will be wearing them the entire time, every time you are on the action range.
- Closed toe weather appropriate footwear.
- Weather appropriate clothing which does not interfere with drawing and re holstering your pistol. Loose shirts which constantly come untucked are a safety hazard because they can be forced into the holster by you pistol as you re holster and will also interfere with you draw stroke. Pull cords on jackets and vests may enter the trigger guard as you re holster causing a

negligent discharge. Tight shirts and simple jackets are the best option.

- Lunch, snacks, and plenty of water. Please remember to hydrate and eat.
- Pen or pencil and note book. You are welcome to bring a camera.
- Minors must have a waver signed by a parent or guardian.

Please note that by contacting us to schedule for the class you are acknowledging that you have read the course description and equipment requirements. If you do not have the required equipment in the specified condition on the morning of the class you may not be allowed to participate in the range portion at the sole discretion of the instructors.

To sign up for the class email TCGCclass@gmail.com