

# Range Safety Officer (RSO)



The **NRA Basic Range Safety Officer (RSO) Course** is designed to prepare experienced shooters to perform the basic duties of an RSO. RSOs ensure that the users of a range follow range regulations in order to reduce property damage and personal injury. RSOs often have responsibilities to take action when circumstances require it. The RSO is the range's official on the firing line to ensure safety and to help shooters. Students will receive a student packet featuring an RSO handbook. This handbook is not available separately. Many ranges seek out volunteer Range Safety Officers and the NRA

has developed this course to help ranges train those RSOs. RSO's are neither certified instructors nor coaches. Scouting America policy requires a certified RSO be supervising

**You can register for this course by filling out the form on the Council Website. This 9-hour course is only \$50.**

## Duration and Location

Although the course can be completed as quickly as 9 hours, it may take longer depending on the class size. We will meet from 8:00 am till 5:00 pm at Falley Scout Reservation.

## Course Goal

"To develop NRA Certified Range Safety Officers who possess the knowledge, skills, and attitudes essential to organizing, conducting, and supervising safe shooting activities and range operations."

## Required Ammunition

There is no firearm shooting associated with this class. Do not bring any firearms or ammunition to the class.

## Lessons

1. Introduction to the NRA Basic Range Safety Officer Course
2. The Role of the NRA Range Safety Officer and Range Standard Operating Procedures
3. Range Inspection and Range Rules
4. Range Safety Briefing
5. Emergency Procedures
6. Firearm Stoppages and Malfunctions
7. Test and Review

## Prerequisites

NRA Range Safety Officers should be experienced shooters, involved in many aspects of target shooting, training and range supervision. There will be practical exercises with all

types of firearms in this course, even if a shooter's discipline does not require experience with those types.

### **Course Completion**

Students will receive feedback on the practical exercises conducted during the course.

There is a written test on the lesson material. The Student Study Guide matches the slide presentation. The RSO test is open book and you may work on the test during the breaks. A 90% score is required to obtain certification.