

Welcome to the Whittington U School of Practical Carbine!



Let us welcome you to the NRA Whittington Center in beautiful Raton New Mexico. Our goal is to provide you with the best training possible through the Whittington U. Your course is starting in just a few days and we want to ensure you are ready to train!

Each defensive course focuses on a holistic defensive approach to the everyday implementation of the firearm. You will be challenged with various static and movement drills which embolden a consistent, efficient, and safe use of your firearm. You will deepen your confidence and defensive mindset and walk away with increase in your ability to safely defend yourself and others.

This packet will outline the goals for Practical Carbine I-II, along with where to be for each level and what to bring with you. You will also receive a welcome email from the Whittington U Admin, with the same information and a link to your Instructor's bio.

Thank you again for coming to train with us at Whittington U, we are looking forward to meeting you soon. Please let us know if you have any further questions or if we can be of any assistance to you in the meantime. Have safe travels!

Practical Carbine I:

Our **Practical Carbine I** is a 3-day training event located in the beautiful NRA Whittington Center. Focusing on a holistic approach to the defensive implementation of the semi-automatic rifle, the WU School of Practical Carbine I works to instill a strong fundamental base of understanding in Internal Ballistics, External Ballistics, Terminal Ballistics, Marksmanship Techniques and Optical Adjustments as it relates to the Defensive Implementation of the Semi-Automatic Rifle.

The semi-automatic rifle is built for movement and the Practical Carbine I Course will create the confidence for virtual, unrestricted movement regardless of the environment. The Movement Drills and Principles of Cover are designed to maximize a Consistent-Efficient-Safe Defensive Posture while putting us in the position of advantage in the Resolution of the Threat.

Practical Carbine I Course is very dynamic but is open to all ages and physical abilities. The Defensive Academy Courses are designed to train to the individuals' limits to not take away from the information presented

Common questions we get asked before a course begins:

Where do I go?

Day 1: 9:00am – Classroom – Main Whittington Admin Building (classroom is through the pro shop/library)

What equipment do I need?

- Rifle chambered in appropriate cartridge/caliber (7.62/308 not accepted at this time)
- Rifle Optic Preferred
- 600 Rounds of ammunition per course **No Handloads Accepted**
- Sling (2 point recommended)
- Load Bearing Equipment or Magazine Pouch
- Minimum 3 Magazines
- Rifle Cleaning Kit
- Camelbak or water container
- Sunblock & Bug Spray
- Knee & Elbow Pads

What can I expect for weather this time of year?

The weather can change drastically during the day and on very short notice. Please plan your clothing for the potential extremes of the season. Keep an active eye on the weather forecast [Weather.com Forecast](#)
[Wunderground Forecast](#) [Accuweather Forecast](#)

If I have an emergency during my travels, who do I contact?

The NRA Whittington Center has a 24/7 live contact phone number 575-445-3615. You can also reach the Whittington U Admin during normal business hours at 575-737-8695 via phone or text.

Practical Carbine II:

Our **Practical Carbine II** is a 3 day, Intermediate to Advanced level course that increases the challenge in the Individual Movement Drills/Principles of Cover/Alternate Firing Positions, while introducing Lowlight Engagements and Engaging in Motion Drills.

The Practical Carbine II Course utilizes the Defensive Training Area to its maximum capabilities, giving students the opportunity to move 360 degrees safely, engage while in motion while utilizing the reactive steel targets and engage several hours into the evening during the Lowlight Engagements

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Where do I go?

Day 1: 8:00am – Defensive Training Area Gate. Attached is the map of Whittington. You will notice the Whittington U in the upper right corner and the gate leading to that range.

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