

NRA Basic Metallic Cartridge Reloading Course

DESCRIPTION: This course teaches beginning reloaders - or those interested in reloading - the basic Knowledge, Skills, and Attitude necessary to safely reload metallic cartridges. This full-day class is not a live-fire course; no shooting is involved and no firearms are permitted in the classroom for reloading classes. Do not bring any firearms or ammunition. Each student is taught reloading safety; centerfire cartridge components; using the reloading manual and reloading data; equipment; and the metallic cartridge reloading process. Students receive the NRA Guide to Reloading handbook, the Basic Reloading Student Exam, a course completion certificate, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure and a Basic Firearm Training Program brochure. Students will reload a .45acp and a .308 cartridge to take home. Former students can audit the class, they will not reload any cartridges.

WHO MAY ATTEND: Safe and responsible individuals, ages 16 and older who possess basic knowledge of common firearms and ammunition. If you are not legally able to possess a firearm or ammunition, do not register for this course. Any student under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian who also registers for the course (make sure there are enough spaces open in the class before registering, to accommodate this requirement) OR must have express written consent to attend, signed by a parent or legal guardian. Space is limited. Pregnant or nursing women should consult with a physician in regards to handling ammunition components before registering for this course.

INSTRUCTOR(S): This class is taught by NRA certified Metallic Reloading Instructor.

COST: \$125 (For members of the VFW (with valid ID), \$100... Limit of 6 participants.

Registration for the course is at the NRA Training site.

<https://www.nrainstructors.org/CourseDetails.aspx?Courseid=915909>

DATE & TIMES: This full-day class is scheduled to be conducted on **Saturday, May 30, 2026 8 am to 5 pm**

LUNCH / SNACKS: A 1-hour midday lunch break will be provided. You may bring your lunch or plan for lunch off site (as long as you have enough time to be back in the classroom at break's end). You are encouraged to bring personal snacks for consumption during the short breaks which will be provided throughout the day. There is the Post Canteen for soft drinks. Eating or drinking while working with the reloading components is not permitted.

WHAT TO BRING: All equipment and materials needed for this class are provided. (Do not bring any firearms, ammunition, or ammunition components.) Students can bring their own personal items, protective eye wear (supplied if needed), gloves are provided, if needed, writing utensil(s) and notepad for note taking. Students may bring their own loading manuals if they wish but we will be referencing a common manual (provided for class use) during the course.

LOCATION: VFW Post 3552 – 39463 10th Street East, Palmdale, Ca. 93550

QUESTIONS: Contact the instructor by email at, george.curtin@vfwpost3552.org.

REGISTRATION PROCESS: On the NRA site, just fill the information in for submission. You do not have to be an NRA member to take the class. Limit of 6 participants.

Once your registration has been received you will be contacted by email for confirmation and to provide you more information about the event.

SATURDAY May 30, 2026 8:00am