Whether you want to share information and techniques with your shooting companions, teach shooters in a formal setting or club, or make a career of developing future champions, the **National Skeet Shooting Association's**Instructor Certification Program offers the path to pursue your goal. Courses can be established anywhere that three or more students can be assembled. Please direct any questions about the NSSA Instructor Courses to our Chief Instructor, Ralph Aaron at 334-308-8363 or rpaskeet@yahoo.com.

Associate Instructor Level is for those who do not have a "C" class in any gun. Must be a <u>current, PAID</u> <u>member of NSSA</u>. The courses will be the same as a Level I course with the same materials and will be taught by a Zone Instructor. The cost is <u>\$400.00</u> plus your expenses. Associates will not be listed on the web site. The primary purpose of the Associate Instructor Program is to promote youth shooting in a safe conscientious manner, while providing the sound fundamentals of skeet shooting. Must be 18 years of age. Once a "C" class is acquired and the Chief Inst. is informed, a Level I patch and certificate will be sent for \$25.00. (Must shoot a minimum of 300 NSSA registered targets in one gun/gauge, or 5 events to establish a "C" classification, no exceptions)

Level I courses are conducted by Zone Instructors, who are Level III and Masters. They are appointed by the Chief Instructor based upon need. Prerequisites for attendances are:

- + Current, PAID NSSA Member and 18 year of age
- + C Class or higher in one gun, currently or previously (with minimum of 300 NSSA tournament targets in that gun)

There must be at least three students for the class to occur. The cost is **<u>\$400.00</u>** plus your shooting expenses. You will learn teaching techniques, the system for bringing on beginners, and shotgun shooting fundamentals. The Zone Instructors can travel anywhere in their Zone, with the students paying for the instructor's travel expenses.

<u>Level II</u> courses are conducted by a Master Instructor. Prerequisites for attendance are:

- + Current NSSA Member
- + A class in one gun, currently or previously (or B class & 150 hrs. of Level I instructor; OR B class, 100 Hrs. of Level I instruction AND 3 new shooters with a minimum of 300 NSSA tournament targets)
- + Have a journal (name, dates, time of instruction and location) showing 100 hours of

instruction as a **Level I Instructor**. The cost is **\$500.00** plus shooting expenses. The Level II seminars are conducted at the National Shooting Complex, San Antonio, TX. There must be a **minimum of four students** to hold the course. There will be a deadline for registration.

Level III instruction is conducted by the Chief Instructor, Prerequisites for attendance are:

- + Current NSSA Member
- + AA in one gun, currently or previously (or A class & 500 hrs. of Level II instruction; OR A class, 400 hrs. of Level II instruction AND 5 new NSSA shooters with a minimum of 300 tournament targets)
- + Shot a minimum of **25,000 NSSA targets**
- + Have a journal showing 400 hrs. of instruction as a Level II instructor. The cost is \$500.00 plus shooting expenses. The Level III seminars are conducted at the National Shooting Complex, San Antonio, TX, immediately prior to the Mini-World. There must be a minimum of four students to hold the course. There will be a deadline for registration.

<u>Master Level</u> certification is conducted by a panel of three current Masters. Contact the Chief Instructor to apply. The cost is <u>\$300.00</u> plus shooting expenses.

- + Current NSSA Member
- + AAA in one gun, currently or previously (OR AA & 800 hrs. of Level III instruction)
- + Shot a minimum of **50,000 NSSA registered targets**
- + Have a journal of 600 hrs. as a Level III
- + Must have conducted an **NSSA Youth Camp** with at least 10 campers
- + Must have published at least **2 articles** in the Clay Target Nation magazine

Registration Form for NSSA Instructor Certification Courses

| First Name: | Initials: | Last Name: |
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| (This is how your name will be on your Certificate) | | |
| NSSA Number: | _ Date of Birth: | Today's Date: |
| Mailing Address: | | |
| City: | | |
| State: | | Zip Code: |
| Cell Phone: | Home | e Phone: |
| Email: | | |
| Class Instructor's Name: Ben Berka | | |

Class location: Shelby County Trap and Skeet; Harlan, Iowa

Class Dates: March 23rd and 24th, 2024

>Email the completed forms to rpaskeet@yahoo.com BEFORE PAYING FOR THE CLASS! Then call NSSA HDQS, Stephanie Haga at 210-254-1534 and pay with a credit card. If you cannot get her call Sheri Giles in Accounting at 210-254-1513 and pay her for the class. Be sure and tell them the location of the class you are taking. You must pay your NSSA dues also at this time or become a member of NSSA to take the course.

>If the forms are **not legible** you may not receive a certificate! Any questions please call: 334-308-8363 for Ginger.

> Ralph P. Aaron, **NSSA Chief Instructor**