

NFA Firearm Advanced Training Workshop

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This training seminar is being hosted by the **Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences**, in Houston, Texas.

Training Goals: To make the Attendee capable of recognizing violations of the National Firearms Act (NFA) and parallel state laws, by becoming thoroughly familiar with Short-barreled Rifle/Shotguns and Weapons Made from Rifles/Shotguns, Silencers, Destructive Devices, Any Other Weapons, Machineguns, home-made machineguns, and the clandestine conversion of semiautomatic firearms into machineguns.



The Attendee will be able to identify the features of these five categories, determine whether an item falls within any of these five categories, explain the ATF-required registration requirements of them, and understand the differences between the NFA and the National Firearm Registration and Transfer Record (NFRTR).



Attendees will encounter a varied collection of firearms in this class, which are examples of each category, and examine them as to the feature(s) which place it within the purview of the NFA. They will become familiar with method(s) of removing it from the NFA, and/or properly registering it with ATF. They will be confident in making determinations as to a firearm's NFA status, and avoid overlooking violations and items which are illegal contraband. The issues of misidentification, unfamiliarity with obscure facets of the NFA, and unsafe practices will be solved, avoiding the misinformation and lack of information which plagues law enforcement, and the firearm industry.



Firearm-industry Attendees will learn the same information, for the purpose of avoiding violations and illegal contraband. The course is designed to enable all firearm professionals to immediately interpret what he or she sees, and to apply their knowledge in making an accurate determination as to an item's origin, it's status under the law, and it's method of mechanical operation. All areas of the field of firearms and ammunition will be examined and discussed thoroughly, and Federal law and ATF rulings will be cited to prove all points taught.



The latest firearm technology trends in the industry, as well as criminal-trends in firearms will be explained. These will help the firearm professional become acquainted with technical concepts not familiar to the beginner, and which will help the firearm professional become acquainted with concepts such as clandestine silencers and full-auto conversions, home-built

firearms, etc... There will be an emphasis on understanding ammunition, the accurate identification of guns, and the ability to competently explain methods of operation.

Audience: This course is intended for all law enforcement, Medical Examiners, licensed firearm dealers, collectors, and manufacturers, Attorneys, military personnel, licensed security, and private investigators.



Methods: The course is a 1-day session. The Instructor is a former ATF National Academy firearm-staff member, who co-wrote ATF's lesson plans. Attendees will perform hands-on examinations of real firearms. Numerous handouts are also provided as instructional aids, and attendees will receive a certificate of attendance. This training is also recognized by the **IAI, ABMDI, NSSF, Sonoran Desert Institute, AFTE, CSI Academy of Florida, Brighton College** and numerous federal and large state and local law enforcement agencies.

Schedule of Topics covered:

- **NFA Rifles/Shotguns** (short-barreled, weapons made from rifle/shotgun, shoulder-stocked handguns, sub-caliber inserts, ID of non-NFA look-alikes)
- **Silencers** (recognition, soda-bottle and oil-filter adapters, solvent traps, fakes, principles of operation)
- **Any Other Weapon [AOW]** (disguised firearms, smooth-bore handguns, handguns w/vertical fore-grip, Marble Game-getters, ID of non-NFA look-alikes)
- **Destructive Devices** (bombs, mines, grenades, bores over .50 caliber, Street-sweeper, USAS-12, Molotov cocktails, IEDs, sub-caliber inserts, exceptions)
- **Machineguns** (Ten most common clandestine conversions, field testing, bump-firing, Gatling guns, DEWATS, re-welds, fire-on-release, methods of destruction, 80% receivers, dummy-guns, home-made guns)
- **Court Testimony** (15 points on preparation, writing a Curriculum Vitae, and the pitfalls of testimony)
- **Practical Exercise** (mock cross-examination exercise concerning NFA firearms by an Attorney role-player)

Seminar location:

**Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences
1861 Old Spanish Trail, Houston, TX 77054**

Date: June 28, 2018

Time: 8:00-4:30pm

Cost of this 1-day course is \$220.

To register, contact IFSA at (813) 422-4674 or email: Info@GunLearn.com. The registration form is here at <http://www.gunlearn.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/IFSA-registration-form-12.6.16.pdf>

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Attendees are cautioned that the course includes the handling of firearms, and as a result, no live ammunition is allowed in the classroom. Prior arrangements should be made for safe storage of duty weapons and ammunition. Due to the inherent handling of firearms in the class, attendance is restricted to those who are not prohibited from possession of a firearm or ammunition under Title 18 U.S. Code 922 (g).