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**2023 Pistol Permit Safety Courses**

As a result of the 2022 changes in pistol permitting requirements, specifically the requirement for 16 hours of training for any pistol permit applicant, the Steuben County Sheriff's Office has teamed up with our local NRA and training representatives to meet this need through a collaborative effort.

The Sheriff's Office, for the foreseeable future, will provide only the first eight hours of the instruction, covering use of force, de-escalation of force, signs of depression and suicidal ideations, safe home and vehicle storage and interacting with law enforcement. Instruction provided in the first half by the Sheriff's Office is free of charge.

The second eight hours, provided by NRA instructors as private vendors, will cover shooting safety, fundamentals, nomenclature, stance, grip and actual shooting. Charges for the instruction provided in the second half will be at the discretion of the vendor.

Any person applying for the permit will need certification of completion of the entire 16 hours of training. This can also be achieved through approved vendors for the entire 16 hour training at a cost set by the individually approved vendors.

Steuben County Sheriff Jim Allard announces the following scheduled pistol permit safety courses to be held at the Steuben County Public Safety Building in 2023:

**March 11, 2023, April 16, 2023 June 17, 2023 September 30, 2023 October 21, 2023**

All sessions are held at the Steuben County Public Safety Building, 7007 Rumsey Street Extension, Bath New York. All attendees must be at least 21 years old, never convicted of a felony, and Steuben County residents, land owners or primarily employed in Steuben County. The sessions will have a 30 minute lunch break. Attendees are encouraged to bring appropriate snacks and drinks. There is a strict No Tobacco Use policy on county property. NO LIVE AMMUNITION is allowed in the classroom. All successful attendees will pass a written exam.

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All attendees **must** be pre-registered and receive confirmation to attend. To reserve your attendance call Terri Moir at 607-622-3930 or email at [TMoir@SteubenCountyNY.gov](mailto:TMoir@SteubenCountyNY.gov)

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