



## Joining Instructions

# CANADIAN FIREARMS CFSC / CRFSC SAFETY COURSE



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## 1. Ronin Sports

1.1. Ronin Sports is owned by Nicoletti & Associates Inc. and is a leading provider of firearms safety, firearms training, armed security, and hunting courses in Ontario, and has been in operation since 1979.

1.2. Training courses instructed by Roninsports.com and its affiliated instructors are delivered in the Greater Toronto Area (Mississauga), Hamilton, and Niagara region, and are available on a continuous basis throughout the calendar year.

1.3. Our instructors are all certified by the appropriate body for the courses they deliver. CFSC/CRFSC instructors are certified by the Chief Firearms Officer of Ontario and are members in good standing with the Firearms Safety Education Service of Ontario ([www.fseso.org](http://www.fseso.org)), the body which trains and supervises Ontario's CFSC and CRFSC instructors. Our hunting safety course instructors hold accreditation from the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.

## 2. CFSC and CRFSC

2.1. The Canadian Firearms Safety Course (CFSC) and the Canadian Restricted Firearms Safety Course (CRFSC) are **required** to obtain either a non-restricted or restricted class "Possession and Acquisition" firearms licence from the RCMP Canadian Firearms Program. These courses were implemented by the Department of Justice following changes to Canada's firearms laws in 1995, and are a requirement to demonstrate safe handling and knowledge of firearms in accordance with the *Firearms Act*.

2.2. Our CFSC is delivered over either 8 or 10 hours depending on the class size, and the examinations are included either on the same day, or in some cases the following day (when combined with the CRFSC).

2.3. The CRFSC is delivered over either 4 or 8 hours depending on class size. The examinations are included at the end of the course. For students who are not taking the CFSC at the same time, and did not take the CFSC within the preceding 12 months, the CRFSC is either 8 or 10 hours long. **Students must be at least 18 years of age to participate in the CRFSC course.**

2.4. Each course is taught in a classroom setting, using multimedia, lectures and class participation, in the English language. Practical handling of firearms training aids, and dummy ammunition, is also required. Each examination involves a written and practical portion, the pass mark for which is 80% on each exam. Student(s) that do not meet the minimum passing mark requirement of 80% may re-test on the same day (depending on Mark) at a fee of \$80.00 or on an alternate day. A student must pass the CFSC in order to attend the second day CRFSC; student(s) that do not pass the CFSC cannot attend the CRFSC, and will need to reschedule to an alternate date; rescheduling fees will apply.

2.5. Firearms Licensing is not included in this course. Candidates must contact the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Canadian Firearms Centre for further information about firearms licensing, at 800-731-4000 or at <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/cfp-pcaf/index-eng.htm>.

2.6. Guests and members of the public who are not participating in the course are generally not permitted.



### 3. Syllabus

3.1. The course syllabus includes the following mandatory sections:

1.	<b>Introduction to Firearms</b>
2.	<b>Basic Firearms Safety</b>
3.	<b>Ammunition</b>
4.	<b>Operating Firearm Actions</b>
5.	<b>Safe Handling and Carrying of Firearms</b>
6.	<b>Firing Techniques</b>
7.	<b>Care of Firearms</b>
8.	<b>Social Responsibilities</b>
9.	<b>Safe Storage, Transportation and Display</b>

3.2. The classroom opens 15 minutes early than the posted start time to allow for check-in and to issue pre-ordered books. The posted start time is 8:00 am however may be adjusted on Day 2 of any 2-day course by the instructor.

3.3. The CFSC portion runs 8 hours for classes of 10 or less students. Those students who are only doing the CFSC course may do their testing immediately afterwards. The course length is 10 hours where there are more than 10 students and only one instructor. Portions of these longer courses may be delivered the following date, including the exams.

### 4. Course Materials

4.1. It is recommended that candidates read the CFSC and CRFSC Student Handbook, we provide access to a digital PDF copy in advance, also we provide a hard copy for use during the course.

4.2. The student handbooks may also be purchased in advance from the Firearms Safety Education Service of Ontario (FSESO) at <http://www.fseso.org>.

4.3. Please bring notepad and pens to take any notes (Pads and pens may be provided for free at some locations).



## 5. Prerequisites

5.1. Due to a change implemented by the Chief Firearms Officer of Ontario in 2015, **all CRFSC students must be at least 18 years of age at the time of the course in order to participate. Also, please bring one piece of Government issued photo ID.**

During registration, all candidates were asked to confirm whether they are going to be at least 18 at the time of the course. Minors 12- 17 years of age may participate in the CFSC only. Valid ID includes a birth certificate, valid school photo identification, or birth certificate with acceptable parent or guardian photo identification. In addition, an identification waiver letter from the CFO must be signed.

5.2. Candidates must not be currently subject to a firearms prohibition order by a court.

5.3. It is not a requirement to be a citizen or resident of Canada to take the CFSC or CRFSC course or to apply for a Canadian firearms licence. See the RCMP firearms centre website for further details.

5.4. Please advise instructor prior to registration of course if a student has any medical conditions that may affect their ability to participate in the class or may affect the ability of others to learn in the classroom.

## 6. What to Wear and Bring

6.1. There is no strict dress code for the Firearms Safety Course. However, it is suggested that candidates wear long sleeve shirts and shoes that completely cover the toes, as well as trousers or shorts that are comfortable and allow for a reasonable range of movement, such as kneeling, lying prone, or simulating climbing a fence (also bring layers of clothing as class may be hot or cold depending on the season).

6.2. It is also required that candidates refrain from wearing loose jewellery (rings, bracelets, chains, etc.) or watches, as they may be scratched or snagged while handling firearms.

6.3. Candidates should bring food, snacks or drinks into the classroom to stay hydrated and awake (water is provided). The firearms used in the classroom may have oils, carbon fouling or other foreign matter on their surface or in other areas that may transfer to a candidate's hands. **Frequent hand washing is recommended.** Candidates may bring a lunch; however, refrigeration and reheating facilities are not always available. Our courses are normally located in close proximity to many restaurant options.

6.4. Although cellular phones and electronic devices are permitted, CFO policies prohibit their use, or any audio or video recording of any CFSC or CRFSC course or examination. Please keep all cellular phones on vibrate or silent so that they do not disrupt the class, and if you must complete a call you must excuse yourself from the classroom.

## 7. Health and Safety

7.1. The health and safety of our candidates and instructors is paramount. Handling firearms carries some inherent risks of injuries, most commonly from moving firearm parts which are under spring tension that can pinch skin or fingers, and from ejected dummy ammunition that can be a minor risk to eyes.



7.2. Candidates are shown the proper way of handling each type of firearm, but invariably while learning any practical skill accidents may happen. Most injuries are extremely minor, such as pinched skin. If you are injured to the degree requiring medical attention, please report it to the instructor immediately.

7.3. Safety glasses or shooting glasses are available to candidates concerned about ejected dummy rounds contacting their eyes.

7.4. Candidates will be in close proximity to one another, especially during practical handling exercises at the demonstration tables. Wearing proper footwear may prevent or reduce the chance of injury should feet be accidentally stepped on.

7.5. Please refrain from wearing strong scented products or perfumes.

7.6. Frequent hand washing will reduce the spread of germs or other contaminants due to handling firearms and other training aids. Masks may be required and completion of our COVID-19 waiver is required.

7.7. Candidates/ Students must not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs while participating in the course or examinations. Students will not be able to participate and required to leave.

7.8. Absolutely NO Horseplay or Harassment of any kind will be tolerated in the classroom. Perpetrators will be ejected from the class.

**7.9. NO LIVE AMMUNITION IS PERMITTED IN THE CLASSROOM AT ANY TIME.**

## **8. Training Location(s)**

### **Ronin Sports – MISSISSAUGA OFFICE & TRAINING LOCATION)**

6380 Tomken Road Suite #7

Mississauga, ON L5T 1Y4

*(parking included)*

**PLEASE NOTE – Some hotel locations may have a complimentary breakfast service available to overnight guests. The breakfast service is NOT AVAILABLE TO COURSE CANDIDATES unless they are also an overnight guest of that hotel. Coffee/tea service is provided in the training room during most courses.**

**Private and group bookings also available**

Please contact us



## 9. Registration and Payment Terms

9.1. Candidates must register for a course in advance and complete a payment prior to attending any course. A registration is considered confirmed once **full payment is made**. Currently approved and acceptable payment method is **EMT** (Interact; electronic money transfer) or on-line on our website [www.roninsports.com](http://www.roninsports.com). We will accept in-person payments made by cash if prearranged in advanced; **The entire balance is due prior to the first day of attending the course** – payment may be made by cash. Receipts are issued with the course confirmation by email or at reception at the course.

9.2. “Walk-ins” are not permitted. Candidates who are not registered, or who have registered and not completed a payment, will not be admitted into the classroom.

9.3. To register for a course, simply pay by EMT and send to [gabriel@nicolettiandassociates.com](mailto:gabriel@nicolettiandassociates.com) or candidates can access the [www.roninsports.com](http://www.roninsports.com) website and register online. It is important to enter your information accurately. All registration correspondence is normally via email. Please note that candidates who use Hotmail may need to check their junk mail folders or use alternate email services in order to receive our emails.

9.4. For fully booked courses, there may be a wait list open for registration. Candidates who register for a wait list and who complete a payment at the time of registration will be offered spaces in priority over wait list candidates who have not paid.

## 10. Cancellations and Refunds

10.1. Candidates may cancel their registration and receive a refund with 30 business days’ notice prior to course less 125.00 administration fee. It is required the cancellation be completed in writing and emailed or faxed to us: [info@roninsports.com](mailto:info@roninsports.com) or 866-651-8611 fax. Over the phone, voicemail or text not accepted.

10.2. **Please ensure course dates are booked carefully; we cannot refund course fees or change course dates without 30 day’s prior written notice for any reason. There are no cancellations within 30 days of the scheduled course date. Rescheduling is allowed up to 25 days of the scheduled class date.**

10.3. Candidates who register for a wait list and who are not offered a confirmed space will automatically be moved to the next available course date opening.

10.4. Course(s) rescheduling due to “acts of god”, COVID-19 or any other pandemic will be rescheduled to the next available course date at the discretion of RONIN SPORTS. There will be no student fee for this service.

## 11. Examinations

11.1. At the conclusion of the course and exam, the candidates test scores are recorded on an RCMP course report form, and forwarded to FSESO and the Chief Firearms Officer together with the tests.

11.2. Candidates will be advised if they passed or failed on the test date. Candidates who are not successful may return at our next available course at their earliest convenience and re-test. The re-test fee is 80.00. A copy of the official course report is not given to the candidate. Failing a written and/or Practical exam requires a re-test of both examinations. The CFO must verify the course reports and mail the official copy bearing the CFO’s stamp to the candidate. The official reports are normally required to obtain the firearms licence.



11.3. There may be a delay of several weeks before FSESO and/or the CFO processes the course reports and mails them to the candidates.

11.4. When completing the examinations, candidates must show one piece of Government issued photo ID. Acceptable identification for minors 12- 16 years of age includes a birth certificate and valid school photo identification, or birth certificate with acceptable parent or guardian photo identification. In addition, an identification waiver letter from the CFO must be signed.



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