

# Online Texas LTC Class Completion Preparation Information

*Please read this preparation information carefully. It is very important that you prepare properly!*

To prepare for the range instruction and shooting proficiency test, you should:

**1. Expect** – To complete an online Texas LTC class and comply with state law, we must spend at least an hour doing range instruction plus the shooting proficiency test for me to complete and sign the LTC-101 Certificate of Training. I usually use a friend's private land near Springtown for the range time. If other arrangements have been made, I may use other safe land or a local range. Students shoot from behind tables so there is a place to set their handguns, magazines and ammo. There will not be an opportunity to warm up or practice. I work hard to make the shooting test as safe, enjoyable and stress-free as possible.

**2. Choose a Handgun** – You may use any SAFE and RELIABLE semi-auto pistol or revolver of any caliber on the shooting proficiency test. The type of handgun or caliber no longer matter. Per DPS rules, students cannot use a laser, red dot sight or scope. Students can share a handgun if needed. You can rent a handgun from me for the shooting test for \$5. If someone rents my handgun, he or she still needs to provide 50 rounds of new factory "9mm Luger" ammo unless arrangements have been made to purchase the ammo from me. The handgun must be **UNLOADED** and should be clean and lightly lubricated. It really slows down the test if we have to deal with constant jams.

**3. Secure Ammunition** – Purchase or secure 50 rounds of practice or range ammunition of the correct caliber for your handgun. Fifty (50) rounds is required for the shooting test, but you may bring 50 extra rounds in case you need to take the test again. I strongly prefer students use full metal jacket type Winchester, Remington (UMC), Federal, Speer, Blazer "Brass", Magtech, Fiocchi or PMC brand ammo for safety and reliability. **Please DO NOT** bring Wolf, Tula, Silver Bear or other cheap foreign made ammo. **NO RELOADED** ammo can be used. ~~Walmart~~ and Academy Sports usually has the best prices on ammo.

**4. Familiarize** - Spend some time reviewing how your handgun functions – loading, unloading, locking back and releasing the slide, loading magazines, etc. You must point the handgun in a safe direction and double check to make sure it is completely **UNLOADED** and **NO AMMUNITION** is around before familiarizing yourself with a handgun.

**5. Practice** – Spend some time practicing shooting at a range if possible before the class. The shooting proficiency test is not difficult but practice helps. The test requires

students to shoot 50 rounds at a “B-27” human silhouette target. Students shoot 20 rounds from 3 yards, 20 rounds from 7 yards and 10 rounds from 15 yards in specific steps with time to rest in between. For maximum points, students need to shoot most of the 50 rounds into the center 13”w X 18”h area of the B-27 target. Students must score 175 out of 250 possible points to pass or qualify (70%). A link to the shooting proficiency test outline is available on the “Resources” page on my website.

**6. Bring** - You will need your driver’s license, signed Class and Safety Agreement forms, LTC-101 Certificate of Training, final payment, handgun, magazine, ammunition and ear and eye protection. The handgun and magazines must be **UNLOADED** and carried in a closed case, box or bag. I have extra earmuffs if students need to borrow a pair. Shooting glasses, safety glasses, prescription glasses or sunglasses can be used for eye protection. Students should wear a hat, shirt that is closed at the top and closed-toed shoes to the range.

**7. Apply** – You can start the license application process with Texas DPS before or after you complete the class. You can view my Texas LTC Application Instructions on my website. It will probably speed up the process if you start working on the application process before the class, but it is up to you. To start the application process, go the Texas DPS website Handgun Licensing section and click on “Online Services.”

Questions? I have a FAQ page on my website and Texas DPS has a comprehensive FAQ page on their website.

I look forward to meeting and working with you. If you have any questions, feel free to email, text or call me.

Thank you!

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