

NAAGA EMPOWERMENT SUMMIT & MARKSMANSHIP CHALLENGE WEEKEND

October 9-11, 2026

FAQs – General Information

Who is eligible for this priority registration period?

This priority registration period is reserved exclusively for Summit Committee staff, Chapter Leaders, and Queens of Defense members. All female members of NAAGA are Queens of Defense.

This early registration period ends July 12, 2026. After that date, registration will open to the broader NAAGA membership, subject to availability.

Can I share this priority registration link with my friends, family members, or chapter members?

No. This priority registration opportunity is a benefit being offered specifically to Summit Committee staff, Chapter Leaders, and Queens of Defense members. Chapter leaders may share this priority registration link only with other leaders in their chapter.

Please do not share the registration link, password, or registration instructions with anyone or on social media, websites, newsletters, group chats, or other public platforms. This protects member benefits, attendee privacy, and the overall security of the event.

If someone is interested in attending, encourage them to become a NAAGA member and watch for future registration announcements.

Can I bring my spouse, partner, significant other, another family member, friend, or guest?

Yes, if that person is an active NAAGA member. Registration for general membership tickets will open on July 13, 2026. Each attendee must register himself/herself and must have an active NAAGA membership that can be verified through the registration system.

If someone is interested in attending who is not a NAAGA member, encourage them to become a NAAGA member and watch for future registration announcements.

I am a NAAGA member, but the system says it cannot verify my membership. What should I do?

The most common reason is that the email address being used for registration does not match the email address associated with your NAAGA membership. Before registering, make sure you are using the same email address connected to your NAAGA membership account.

If you need assistance, contact: officialmembership.support@naaga.co

I don't remember which email address is associated with my membership.

Please contact: officialmembership.support@naaga.co

The Membership Team can help verify your account information.

My membership has expired. Can I still register?

You must have an active NAAGA membership to purchase Summit tickets.

To renew your membership, visit: <https://naaga.co/memberships/>

Once your membership is active, return to complete your registration.

Can tickets be transferred to another person?

No. Your ticket cannot be transferred to another person. All tickets are verified against your email and NAAGA ID associated with your membership.

Can people attend only one day of the Summit?

Yes. A person may attend only one day of the Summit, but the cost of the event is still the same. There is no individual day pricing.

Are children allowed?

Yes. Children ages **10 and older** are welcome to attend the Summit when accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Children must remain under the supervision of their parent/guardian at all times and be able to follow all instructions from Summit staff and instructors.

There is **no registration fee** for attendees **21 years of age and under**. However, fees apply for any optional mini training sessions or other training add-ons in which they participate.

If your child will be attending Range Day, you **must** provide properly fitting eye and ear protection for them. We cannot guarantee that child-sized safety equipment will be available on site, so please come prepared with safety gear that fits your child properly.

Will there be payment plans?

No. There are no payment plans.

Will there be refunds?

Yes. Members may request a refund through September 30, 2026, by emailing us at Summit.2026@naaga.co. After that date, there will be no refunds.

What if I have questions about the Summit?

Please contact: Summit.2026@naaga.co

To help the Summit Committee respond efficiently, please review this FAQ before emailing.

How many tickets are available?

Space is limited. We strongly encourage all Summit Committee staff, Chapter Leaders, and Queens of Defense members to register as soon as possible during their priority registration window.

What hotel should I book?

We encourage all attendees to stay at our official host hotel. Your Ticket Purchase Confirmation email will include the hotel name, discounted group rate, booking instructions, and other important travel information.

Staying at the host hotel is part of the Summit experience. It's where you'll have the opportunity to network, build relationships, and spend time with fellow NAAGA members from across the country before and after each day's activities. These shared moments help strengthen the bonds that make NAAGA a family.

Booking within our official hotel block also helps support the Summit and allows us to negotiate better rates and accommodations for future events. Please rely only on information provided in official NAAGA Summit communications when making your travel arrangements.

Is there an airport shuttle or transportation?

There is no airport shuttle available from the hotel. However, the Arts Center MARTA train station is across the street, and it runs to the Airport station inside the airport terminal.

Are meals included?

If you are staying at the recommended hotel, a breakfast buffet is included with the cost of your room. However, meals are not included with your ticket. There will be vendors selling food at lunchtime. Dinner is on your own.

Is a Saturday banquet included?

No. There will not be a banquet at this event but there will be a NAAGA mixer at the hotel's rooftop lounge from 6 pm – 9 pm on Saturday, 10/10.

Is there a dress code?

The dress code for the Saturday sessions is casual. However, for the Sunday Range Day event, for your safety, we recommend a baseball type cap or hat with a brim, lightweight long sleeve shirt, long pants, and comfortable shoes/boots (no sandals, open-toed shoes, sliders, flip flops, or high heels). Ladies, please do NOT wear blouses with low necklines and excessively loose clothing or jewelry.

Where can I purchase NAAGA branded garments and Summit Tees?

You can find NAAGA branded merchandise and T-shirts for the Summit in the NAAGA store at <https://naaga-merch.myshopify.com/>

Is this event only for experienced shooters?

No. The Summit is designed for all experience levels.

Whether you are:

- Brand new to firearms
- A recreational shooter
- A concealed carry holder
- An instructor
- A competitor

There will be valuable training, networking, and educational opportunities for you.

Do I have to participate in the shooting activities?

No. The Summit includes leadership, preparedness, communications, personal development, networking, and educational sessions. You can attend the Summit even if you choose not to participate in shooting activities.

Are any firearms prohibited from being used for the pistol competition or mini training sessions at the NAAGA Range Day on Sunday, October 11th?

Yes. **Sig Sauer P320 firearms are banned from South River Gun Club.** So please do not bring this firearm if you have one.

Additional FAQs for Queens of Defense Members**What is the Queens of Defense Range Day?**

Sunday's Queens of Defense Range Day is a dedicated range experience created specifically for women.

Queens will have:

- A dedicated range with female firearm instructors and range safety officers
- A supportive learning environment

This is not simply a general range event with women added to the schedule.

What skill level is required for the Queens of Defense Range Day?

All skill levels are welcome. Whether this is your first range experience or you have years of firearms experience, there will be opportunities to learn, train, and improve your skills.

Can I volunteer as a firearms instructor or range safety officer for the Queens of Defense Range Day?

Yes, if you are a female certified firearms instructor, a certified range safety officer, or otherwise have had extensive experience serving as a range safety officer at your chapter or other shooting events and would like to assist at the Queens of Defense Range Day, please email:

legalcounsel@naaga.co

Will there be opportunities to meet other Queens of Defense?

Absolutely. The Summit will include:

- A Queens of Defense Panel Discussion
- A NAAGA Mixer
- Networking opportunities
- Leadership sessions
- Preparedness and communications training

One of the primary goals of the weekend is to strengthen relationships among women from across the country.

Do I need to be a Queens of Defense Ambassador to attend?

No. All female members of NAAGA are able to attend the Summit.

What should attendees bring to the Queens of Defense Range Day?

You should bring:

- Hearing protection (ear muffs or ear plugs) *(We will have extra if you do not have them)*
 - Eye protection (safety glasses or your regular glasses) *(We will have extra if you do not have them)*
 - Your handgun with magazine(s), if you have them. We will have handguns that you can shoot if you do not have one.
 - If you have a handgun that takes a different caliber of ammo other than 9mm, such as .22, .380, .40, or .45, please bring your own ammo.
 - Hand sanitizer
 - Water, cooler, snacks
 - Lawn chair, if you have one (and are local to or are driving to the metro Atlanta area)
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Can attendees bring their own firearms for the Queens of Defense Range Day?

Yes. You may bring your own firearm, but please bring your firearm unloaded to the range.

However, for the Sunday Range Day event, Sig Sauer P320 firearms are banned from South River Gun Club. So please do not bring this firearm if you have one.

Will rental firearms be available for the Queens of Defense Range Day?

No. There will not be firearms available for rental. However, the Queens of Defense firearm instructors will have firearms that you are able to use for the event if you do not have a firearm or you do not want to bring your own firearm.

Will ammunition be provided for the Queens of Defense Range Day?

9mm ammunition will be provided for the Queens of Defense Range Day. However, if you have a firearm that uses a caliber of ammunition other than 9mm, you will need to bring your own ammunition.

Additional FAQs for the NAAGA Pistol Instructor Certification Course**Does the NAAGA Instructor certification course cover all firearm platforms?**

No. At this time, the NAAGA Instructor Certification curriculum for the Summit is focused on handguns. Additional firearm platform instructor certifications are currently under development.

Is there a range component to the training?

Yes. The certification includes both classroom and range components.

What are expected Learning Outcomes?

The learning outcomes are comparable to those found in other handgun instructor programs, with additional emphasis on delivering the NAAGA curriculum. Course descriptions can be found here: <https://naaga.co/courses-descriptions/>

What advantage is there to completing NAAGA Instructor certification (I'm already USCCA and NRA certified)

The NAAGA Instructor Certification provides instructors with access to a curriculum specifically designed to address the needs, experiences, and history of our community. It allows instructors to deliver a training program that is both inclusive and culturally relevant while maintaining high standards of firearms education and safety. Additionally, NAAGA's course of fire and instructional approach offer perspectives that complement and exceed traditional industry programs.

How might I put my certification to use immediately after the Summit?

Upon successful completion of the certification process, you will be recognized as a NAAGA Certified Pistol Instructor and gain access to the instructor portal, curriculum materials, and related resources necessary to begin teaching authorized NAAGA courses.

I'm concerned that by opting for the Instructor training, I will miss the various events scheduled for Day 2. Is this correct or are those workshops made a part of the Instructor Training?

The Instructor Certification course is scheduled for Friday and Saturday. As a result, participants in the instructor program will not be able to attend the Saturday workshops and classes.

However, you will still be able to participate in the activities and training opportunities available during Sunday's range day.

I am interested in being NAAGA certified to teach introduction to shotgun. Will this certification allow for this?

No. The Instructor Certification course offered during the Summit only authorizes instruction in the handgun curriculum. The shotgun curriculum and corresponding instructor certification are currently in development. Information regarding those programs will be released as they become available.
