



FAQ

Welcome to the **HGC-SCI First for Hunters and TPWD Annual Hunter Education Program!** You may have some questions, so here's a rundown of the weekend's event:

Who must take the TPWD Hunter Education course?

Every hunter (including out-of-state hunters) born on or after Sept. 2, 1972, must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course.

Can I still take this course if I did not register in advance?

Yes, just fill out the forms with everyone else (**take care as these are scantron forms; errors will result in NO CERTIFICATION**). Your online and mail pre-registration was solely so we could plan how many instructors would be needed and get a head count for lunch.

I DID pre-register; do I still have to fill out the forms?

Yes, these scantron forms must be filled in with pencil on-site (**see note above**) so TPWD can acknowledge your completion of the course; otherwise you will not receive your certification!

Who is eligible to take the course?

Anyone 6 and up can take the course BUT you must be 9 and up to be TPWD certified. This is a new law change that took effect in 2008 (previously you had to be 12).

Do I have to attend both days?

Yes, attendance is required both days, **in full**, if you wish to be certified.

Is this really provided at no cost?

Absolutely! HGC-SCI *First for Hunters* is underwriting the entire cost of this weekend (with the help of SCI, Houston Safari Club, Houston RMEF, Houston Farm & Ranch Club and the grand prize package from Carter's Country Outdoor Stores, CSE Outdoors and Woods & Water Taxidermy). The TPWD instructors are volunteers (be sure to thank them for their efforts). Even lunch is on us, not only for those taking the course but any parents and/or guardians accompanying minors here for the weekend!

How do I know if I've passed?

Your final exam will be graded Sunday and you'll know before you leave if you passed.

What do I get to show I've taken the course and passed?

Those 9 & older will get a temporary card (under 9 get a certificate of attendance mailed to them), **BUT your actual certification card from TPWD will be mailed to the address on your registration.**

If I have to leave immediately after the testing, can results be mailed to me?

We understand that some of you may be on a tight schedule, so if you can't wait to see if you've passed we can mail you the results and as noted above; your actual certification card will be mailed anyway (**but you won't get your temporary card and you'll miss out on the prize drawings!**). **Please tell us you're leaving.**

How long does it take to receive my card?

You will receive your card in the mail from TPWD in anywhere from 2-12 weeks (sorry, it's the busiest time of year). If after that time you have not received your card you can call 1-800-792-1112 ext. 63.

For your convenience a schedule is printed on the back of this form. Now, enjoy the class!

SCHEDULE (subject to change)

Saturday schedule:

7:00 - 8:00 AM: sign in/paper work & assign groups

8:00 - 11:00 AM: session # 1 (with a 10 minute break @10:00 AM)

11:00 - 11:15 AM: break & move to next Instructor

11:15 AM - 1:15 PM: session # 2 (with a 10 minute break @ 12:15 PM)

1:15 PM - 2:15 PM: Lunch (& go to the next Instructor)

2:15 PM - 4:15 PM: session #3 (with a 10 min. break @ 3:15pm)

4:15 PM - 4:30 PM: break & move to the next Instructor

4:30 PM - 6:30 PM: session #4 (with a 10 min. break @ 5:30pm)

Sunday schedule:

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM: lunch & **GROUP PICTURE!**

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM: review for test (all groups)

1:00 PM - 1:15 PM: break

1:15 PM - 3:30 PM: Test & grade (all students will hold test till called for by name!)

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM: each Instructor will call the students in their folder up to put grade on scantron & give temporary card! At that time the student can leave.

5:00 PM - 5:30 PM: break down & go home!