



# Learn To Return™

## Bear Awareness and Shotgun Defense

*This is an excellent hands-on course for those carrying a firearm in bear country*

### Program Details

#### Class Time:

8am—5pm

#### Class Size:

16 Students

### Registration

For registration information please call our main office at (907) 563-4463 or e-mail [LTRoffice@alaska.net](mailto:LTRoffice@alaska.net)

### Please Bring

Closed toe shoes

Comfortable clothing

Clothing for conditions



### **NOTE:**

**This is a personal defense program, not to be considered a "Bear Guard" level of responsibility.**



### Program Overview

The Bear Awareness and Defense Program is the second level of occupational LTR training provided to employees who work in bear habitats. The 8 hour, academic, hands-on and range program incorporates all modules of the *LTR Bear Awareness and Spray Training* and continues with firearm familiarization training and usage. Educational sessions emphasize safety and use of a 12 gauge shotgun for personal protection in predator defense scenarios. Attendees are given extensive guidance on safe handling of a firearm and practice these skills under instructor supervision. Students need no prior experience with firearms for this training.

### Classroom Training

Carrying a firearm for work related duties should not be considered lightly, and participants are evaluated heavily on safe handling skills. Students receive information on effective cartridges for lethal force as well as those that are used to deter bears with sounds and less than lethal impacts. Classroom and hands-on training addresses LTR safety procedures, loading, unloading, proper sighting and then safely storing the firearms for transport. Students must take a short firearms safety quiz prior to participating in the range training session.



### Range Training

All equipment is provided to include shotguns, ammunition, targets, eye and ear protection. Students start slow and controlled, with initial practice shooting deterrent rounds like bean bags and rubber slugs. Participants practice basic firearm functioning and shooting from varying positions and distances, with instructors providing guidance on improvement. Students are then given the opportunity to shoot a "charging" bear target to test their new skills.

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