

East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

MTU #13

Course Announcement

AR-15 Armorers Course– 2-Day

March 19th-20th, 2026

0830-1630 Hrs

Charleston Police Range

1251 W. Madison

Charleston, IL 61920

Submit enrollment to:

Registration form at

www.mtu13.com,

ecimlett@gmail.com



“This is my rifle, there are many like it but this one is mine””I will learn it’s weaknesses, it’s strength, its parts, its accessories, it’s sights and its barrel. I will keep my rifle clean and ready even as I am clean and ready” - Rifleman’s Creed USMC

This class is going to teach you how to work on your rifle, how to diagnose problems that it may be having. It will take you through basics of safety functions, disassembly and reassembly of upper and lower receivers. You will learn about the tools needed and tools will be on hand for your use. You will learn how to identify and replace broken parts and function test the rifle. I could go on and on, but suffice to say that after you go through this course you will know your rifle inside and out. You carry the rifle for the most dire of circumstances, to save lives; yours or someone else's. You should know and understand this tool as best as you can and Darrell is going to be here to explain it all in a way that you will make sense.....By the way, this class is Gunnery Sergeant Hartman approved

Student Pack List

AR-15 rifle in 5.56

50 rounds of ammo

Armorers tools if you have them. If you don’t have your own tools, the MTU has plenty of kits to borrow.

Please download the AR-15 Armorers Manual from the MTU website. It is under the tab marked “resources”.

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Ofc. Safety Techniques

Darrell Cox is the owner of Darrell Cox Gunsmithing (since 1982) and has served as deputy sheriff for Coles County from 1978 through 2006. In 2006 he was elected the Coles County Sheriff, and he was re-elected in 2010. After a 36 year career in law enforcement, Darrell retired. During his law enforcement career, Darrell started the Multi-Agency Crisis Response Team of Coles County and was it's first commander. Darrell has taught 40-hour mandatory Firearms Training since 1982 for MTU 13. He is a certified armorer for Colt Firearms, Smith and Wesson and Rugar. He has also instructed AR and 1911 Armorer's Courses for MTU 13. Darrell is also a certified instructor for the NRA in the pistol, rifle and shotgun disciplines. Darrell has competed at the national level in NRA Precision and CMP Pistol competition. Darrell and a fellow competitor won the Law Enforcement Team Competition at the National Pistol Championship taking the American Indian Trophy in 2015, and coming in second in 2016 and 2017. Darrell Cox is dedicated to the ongoing instruction and training of law enforcement officers in the field of firearms training and firearms armorer's courses.



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