

Your upcoming class at Dragon's Breath Forge!

Thank you for signing up for one of our fun and educational blacksmithing and bladesmithing classes! In the interest of making this the best possible experience for everyone, here are a few Do's and Do Not's for our classes:

-Do bring eye protection! We have safety glasses here at the shop, but we highly suggest that you bring something that you already know fits you comfortably. The glasses we have here are made by the InstaDork Corporation and fit as comfortably as an angry blue crab.

-Do bring hearing protection! Almost every class will be quite loud at certain points; we suggest the "muff" type hearing protection for the ease with which they go on and off for conversation vs. work.

-Do bring leather gloves! In almost every class your hands will be exposed to experiences they are not used to, and leather gloves can make the difference between a good day or a bad day.

-Do wear all-natural clothing! Natural fiber clothing will smolder but rarely ignites, while synthetics will melt right onto you...and then possibly still ignite! For obvious reasons long pants are also a good idea.

-Do wear leather-top shoes/boots! Sparks and hot bits of iron oxide can do a number on the mesh tops of sneakers and on nylon laces.

-Don't wear synthetic clothing! I know we already mentioned this, but unless you want your polar fleece to fit "like a second skin" you should plan on cotton or similar natural fibers.

-Don't leave hot materials just anywhere! If the instructor has not already said where hot materials should go, then ask.

On a more general note, your class fee already includes all reasonable material usage so there is no need to bring additional materials to the class. If you have a particular steel or other material that you would like to use, bring it along and discuss it with the instructor. In most cases the materials that we have selected are ideal for the goals of the class.

We have all the tools that you will need for the class you are taking, so you do not need to bring any tools of your own. If you have a favorite hammer or pair of tongs that you really want to use in the class, make sure you mark them as yours before arriving. We will not be responsible if they are lost, stolen, or damaged during the class.

Our address is 10 Swiss Lane, Wolcott, CT 06716 and works well with Google Maps and most GPS units. Have fun and remember Blacksmithing Rule #1: Everything is Hot!