



## Houston, TX

### Welcome!

We are looking forward to your visit to the Houston Ropeworks Training Center. Our training center is located in La Porte, TX under 30 minutes from William P Hobby (HOU) Airport and 45 from George Bush International Airport (IAH) and close to a variety of indoor and outdoor activities. Don't forget to schedule some time outside of your course to take advantage of the region's many cultural and recreational opportunities.

### Ropeworks Instruction

Ropeworks has developed a world-class training system. Instructors are known for their technical expertise, as well as their skill as educators. All Ropeworks instructors are professionals that actively work at height. Essential skills are learned and retained best when every candidate is given individual attention. Therefore, our average student-to-instructor ratios are 4:1 and will not exceed 6:1 for all rope access and rescue courses.

### Climate

During the summer months, it is common for the temperature to reach over 90 °F (32 °C), with an average of 99 days per year above 90 °F (32 °C). However, the humidity causes a heat index higher than the actual temperature. Winters in Houston are mild. The average high in January, the coldest month, is 63 °F (17 °C), while the average low is 43 °F (6 °C). Snowfall is very rare. Please keep in mind that the training center will tend to reflect some of the outside temperatures. The best way to prepare for outside temperatures is to log on to your favorite weather website a few days prior to your visit.

### Extra-Curricular Activities

Regardless of what your interests are, Houston has attractions just right for you. From [Space Center Houston](#) (home to NASA's Mission Control) to the largest [Fine Arts Museum](#) in the Southwest, the options are many. Houston rates first among the nation's 10 most populous cities in total acreage of parkland, beating out Phoenix's 45,020 acres and San Diego's 47,383 acres, with 49,643 acres of total park space. Some of our favorites include the [Kemah Boardwalk](#); [Battleship Texas](#) and [San Jacinto Battleground State Historical Park](#). Get your play on!

## Equipment

All rope access, tower climbing, and rescue equipment is provided. An individual equipment bag will be checked out to each person. The candidate can elect to purchase a new equipment kit from our Reno location (details below) before or after your course. Equipment discounts will be applied when equipment is purchased with a course.

## Course Hours

Training courses generally run from 8 AM to 5 PM with an hour lunch break unless otherwise noted.

## Clothing

Clothing needs to be loose enough to allow full mobility, while not posing the hazard of becoming caught in safety equipment or work tools. Avoid pants that require a belt or have rivets near the hips. Lightweight coveralls are the best. Shorts are not appropriate. Bring clothing layers to accommodate a range of temperatures. We're in Houston folks!

## Footwear

Sturdy work boots with a flexible sole and proper heel are recommended. Steel-toe boots are not required. Soles with sticky rubber can be chosen to provide better footing when climbing around on structures.

### Equipment Checklist

- Work Clothes
- Lightweight work gloves
- Safety/Sun Glasses
- Sturdy footwear
- Water bottle & snacks
- Great Attitude!

## Gloves & Eye Protection

Please bring your own set of gloves. Gloves must fit well and should not hinder the technician's ability to operate his tools and safety equipment. Safety glasses are also recommended.

## Meals & Snacks

There are a few dining options within walking distance of the training center and many more a short drive away. Feel free to bring snacks and drinks with you to keep your energy level high throughout the duration of the course.

## Facility Address

[MISTRAS Group, Inc.](#)  
[4000 Underwood Rd](#)  
[La Porte, TX 77571](#)

Local MISTRAS Office Phone: 281-478-1600.

To reach Ropeworks Training Department, call: 775-747-2244.

## Facility Access

MISTRAS entry / access security policy requires all guests to enter through the front door and wait in entrance area until escorted into the facility.

## Questions?

Please contact us:



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Ph: 1 (775) 747-2244 or fax 1 (775) 201-0830  
[training@ropeworks.com](mailto:training@ropeworks.com) | [www.ropeworks.com](http://www.ropeworks.com)

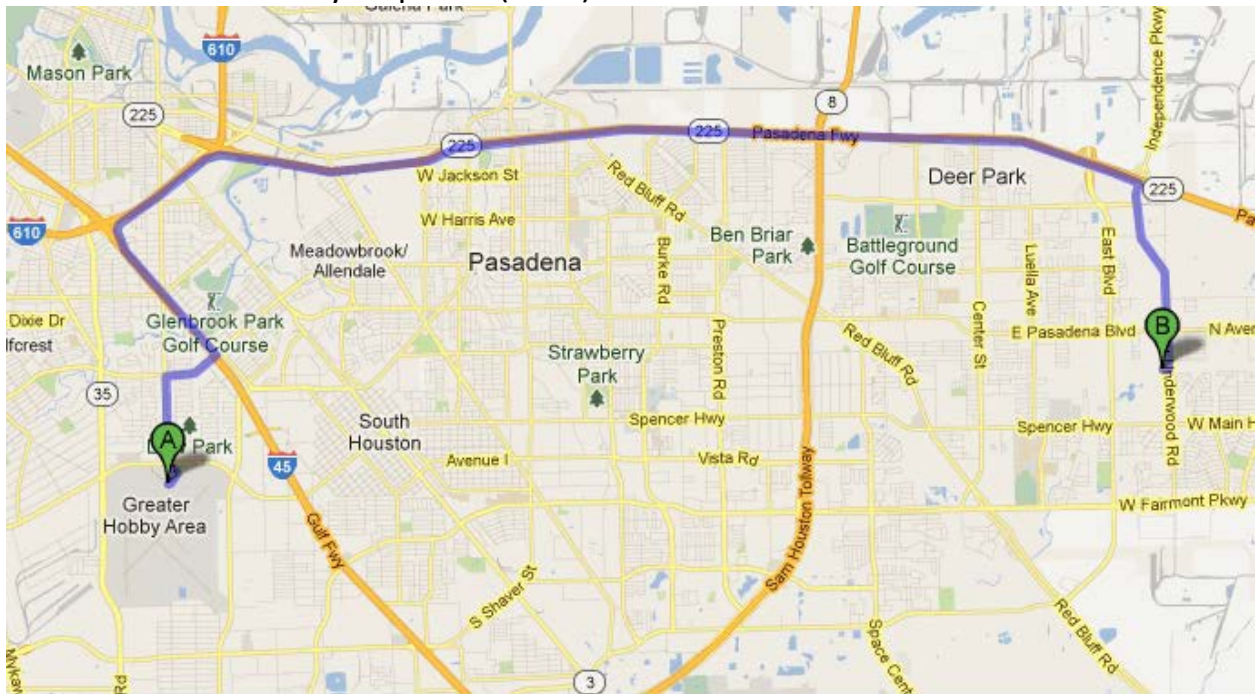
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### Directions

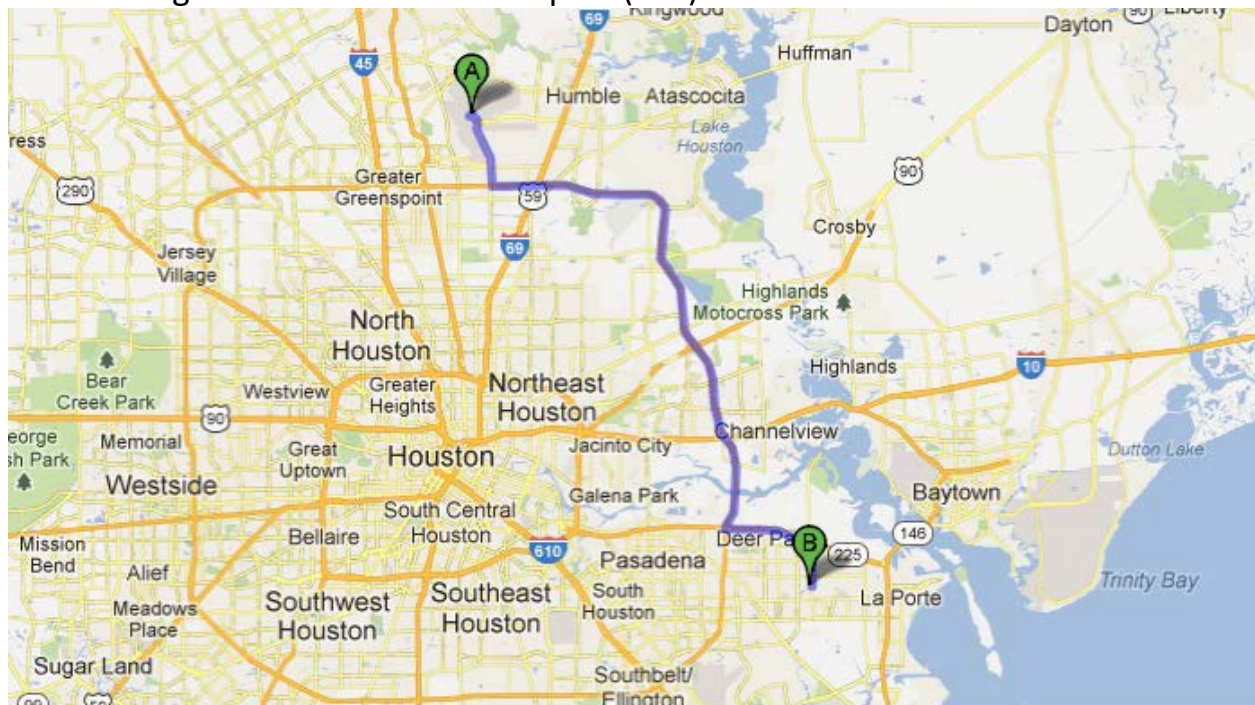
From William P Hobby Airport – (HOU)



(18.2 mi – about 25 mins)

1. Head east on Hobby Airport Loop.
2. Slight left to stay on Hobby Airport Loop.
3. Continue onto Broadway St.
4. Turn right onto Belfort St.
5. Turn left onto Gulf Fwy.
6. Take the ramp on the left onto I-45 N.
7. Take exit 40B for Interstate 610 E toward Texas 225/Pasadena.
8. Merge onto I-610 E.
9. Take exit 30B for TX-225 E/La Porte toward Pasadena.
10. Merge onto TX-225 E.
11. Take the exit toward Independence Parkway.
12. Merge onto Pasadena Freeway Frontage Rd.
13. Turn right onto S Battleground Rd.
14. Continue onto Underwood Rd.
15. Turn right onto Awesome Ln. Destination will be on the right.

## From George Bush International Airport (IAH)



(34.0 mi – about 39 mins)

1. Head west on N Terminal Rd.
2. Slight right onto John F Kennedy Blvd.
3. Take the Texas 8 Beltway E ramp on the left to US-59 E.
4. Merge onto TX-8 Beltway E.
5. Take the exit toward TX-225/Deer Park/Houston.
6. Merge onto East Sam Houston Pkwy N.
7. Turn left onto Pasadena Freeway Frontage Rd.
8. Take the ramp on the left onto TX-225 E.
9. Take the exit toward Independence Parkway.
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## Area Accommodations

### **La Quinta Inn & Suites Deer Park**

**Online Rate Type > Promo/Corporate Code: *mistras***

(2.5 miles)

1400 East Boulevard, Deer Park, TX 77536

Phone: 281-476-5300

<https://www.lq.com>

### **Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites La Porte**

**Call and ask for *MISTRAS* Group Rates**

(5.5 miles)

908 W G Street, La Porte, TX 77571

Phone: 281 -842- 9888

<https://www.ihg.com>

### **Best Western Deer Park Inn & Suites**

(4 miles)

1401 Center Street, Deer Park, TX 77536

Phone: 800.568.8520

<https://www.bestwestern.com/>



## Dining Options

A. Tony's Barbecue & Steak house (across the street)  
2219 Underwood Rd, La Porte, TX  
(281) 471-8669

B. Southern Komfort Kitchen  
2501 Underwood Rd, La Porte, TX  
(281) 867-9231

C. Gringo's Mexican Kitchen  
2631 Underwood Rd, La Porte, TX  
(281) 470-7424

D. Little Caesars Pizza  
9615 Spencer Hwy, La Porte, TX  
(281) 479-0964

E. Tortilla's Mexican Restaurant  
9602 Spencer Hwy, La Porte, TX  
(281) 479-1710

F. Bullritos  
2617 Underwood Rd, La Porte, TX  
(281) 842-7900

G. Kings BBQ  
1322 Underwood Rd, Deer Park, TX  
(281) 478-6851

H. SUBWAY® Restaurants  
9629 Spencer Hwy, La Porte, TX  
(281) 476-0047

I. Domino's Pizza  
9702 Spencer Hwy, La Porte, TX  
(281) 470-0990

J. Sonic Drive-In  
9827 Spencer Hwy, La Porte, TX  
(281) 471-9681

## Staff Favorites

Morning Kolaches  
2613 Underwood, La Porte, Texas 77571  
281.470.0975

Tony's Barbecue & Steak house (across the street)  
2219 Underwood Rd, La Porte, TX  
(281) 471-8669

Souper Salad  
5822 Fairmont Pkwy, Pasadena, TX  
(281) 991-5645

Merlion (Thai)  
1301 4th St, Seabrook, TX 77586  
(281) 385-9975

Southern Komfort Kitchen  
2501 Underwood Rd., La Porte, TX  
281-867-9231