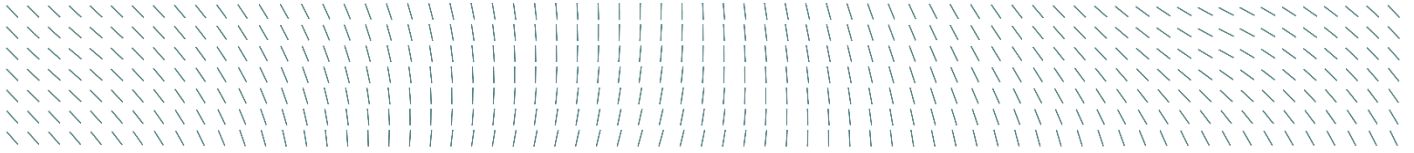


# Striking Class



## Synopsis

The session begins with a reminder of how a mechanical watch works as well as its terminology, followed by a short presentation of complications before focusing on the definition, history and techniques of the various types of striking watches (alarm, minute repeater, hour strike au passage, grande and petite sonnerie, etc.). The training ends with the presentation of the iconic striking watches from contemporary brands, as well as the latest models unveiled at the year's watch fairs.

## Objectives

The Striking Class course offers a general comprehension of the different types of striking watches, presenting their characteristics and understanding the key sales arguments.

## Length of the course

The Striking Class course lasts one day.

## Description of the course

### Introduction

The Fondation de la Haute Horlogerie  
Mission and partner brands

### Reminders

The mechanical movement

The 6 organs

The complications

Definition & groups of complications

### History and definition of striking watches

#### Introduction

Identifying striking watches

The different types of striking watches

#### Definition

#### History

The invention of sound

### Watches striking on demand

Alarm watches

Definition

Key features

How it works

Instructions for use  
Technique  
Striking and musical alarm watches

### **Minute repeater**

Definition  
Origin  
Key features  
The different types of repeater watches  
How it works  
Energy  
Memory  
Striking mechanism  
Regulation  
Key components  
Acoustics (parameters, gongs, casing, etc.)  
Instructions for use  
Sales arguments

## **Watches striking automatically**

### **Hour strike au passage**

Definition  
The different types of hour strike au passage

### **Grande et petite sonnerie**

Definitions  
Grande sonnerie  
Petite sonnerie  
How it works  
Mode selector  
Energy  
Instructions for use

## **Other striking watches**

Presentation of other striking watches (countdown, automaton, etc.)

## **Competition**

Iconic models  
Selection of some of the latest models unveiled  
Price mapping

## **Conclusion**