

BALLISTIC SHIELD PISTOL/RIFLE TRAINING COURSE

Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Prerequisites: Sworn Law Enforcement personnel with basic firearm proficiency

Description:

This 2 day course in the tactical deployment of the ballistic shield for Law Enforcement Officers will familiarize students from the history of the shield through the basic operator deployment of the shield. The student will learn how to best utilize the shield in numerous situations such as the execution of high risk warrants, fugitive apprehension, barricaded shooters, active shooters, officer rescues, etc. The student will then be able to take the specific skills learned and apply these recommended skills to their official job duties.

Overview:

- Firearms Safety
- Introduction to the ballistic shield
- Design Features
- Ballistic Materials (NIJ Threat Level)
- Proper Handling and Employment of the shield
- Live Fire Shield Drills (extensive solo, pair and small element drills)
- Operational Deployment strategies and techniques of the Shield
- Building and room clearing techniques for pairs and small elements
- Application of Less Lethal Shield Team
- Scenario Development
- Shield Weapon retention
- Course qualification and examination

Course:

Training is structured to provide classroom and hands-on training. Class topics will be covered in the classroom and reinforced with practical range shooting application.

Equipment: (students must bring)

1. Full duty gear; including ballistic helmet and ballistic hard/soft vest
2. Ballistic shield (if available)
3. Choice of BDU's, Range clothing
4. Flashlight used on duty (to include weapon mounted lights)
5. Duty holster, handgun and 600 rounds of pistol ammunition
6. Second handgun and holster for support side if available) (3 extra handgun magazines)
7. Carbine/Rifle and 300 rounds of long gun ammunition (2 extra Rifle magazines)
8. Eye and Ear protection
9. Knee pads, elbow pads (if available)
10. Liquids (hydration)

Day 1

Classroom/Gun Range:

- Student shooting proficiency review (Pistol presentation drill, position shooting, cover marksmanship fundamentals if necessary)

Instructor(s) will cover all positions Dry before conducting Live Fire Exercises Use Partner with long gun (when possible) with Shield Shooter as Safety

- Go over proper position with shield looking through view port and as a barricade
- Static Shield Shooting with strong hand (5 yard line)
- Static Shield Shooting with support hand (5 yard line)
- Static Re-loading drill Demos from (5 yard line) (One at a time then practice)
- Re-load going back to the holster (Strong hand)
- Re-load kneeling down behind the strong knee (Strong hand)
- Re-load between the knees (Strong hand) (Also used to transfer weapon to support hand)
- Re-load between the knees (Support hand) (Difficult to re-load going back to holster with support hand)
- Re-load behind the knee (Support hand)

(May have two holsters -one on support side and one on strong side or drop weapon and go to back-up weapon)

- Demonstrate Immediate Action/Malfunction drills with strong and support hand (Tap, Rack, Ready & practice malfunction drills)
- Go over proper shooting on the move with shield (Demo forward & backward)
- Shooting on the move with strong hand (10 yard line to 3 yard line)
- Shooting on the move with support hand (3 yard line to 10 yard line)
- Practice Shield Qualification Course
- Lateral movement from north end of range to south shoot every other target (5 yard line)
- Lateral movement from south end of range to north shoot every other target (5 yard line)
- Weave Lateral from Seul position around students
- Weave Drill with shield (Set up barrels and weave around them look at foot work)
- Box Drill with shield (5 yard line)
- Multi-Target shooting drills
- Position Shooting Drills (Kneeling & Prone)

Day 2

Classroom/Gun Range:

- Practice Rifle training achievement shooting course
- Static shooting with partner (muzzles on both sides of shield at 5 yard line) (Hostage Targets)
- Shooting on the move with partner from 10 yard line to 3 yard line)
- Shooting on the move with partner from 3 yard line to 10 yard line)
- Lateral movement from north to south end of range with partner (5 yard line)
- Lateral movement from south to north end of range with partner (5 yard line)
- High Low Drills with partner
- Multi-Target shooting drills
- Room entries with partner on Flat Range

