



USPAP Classes and Traffic School

I haven't taught a defensive driving course, but I have to think it's similar to teaching USPAP. I've been to my fair share of the former, and I've taught a number of the latter. And a common thread is found in the fabric of the two: they're attended by victims.

Ask enrollees at traffic school how they got there, and inevitably, there's a "but" in their stories. "Well, I was doing 76 in a 65 *but* everyone else was too."

Likewise, those at a USPAP class: "Okay, so that's what USPAP says, but in the real world"

I drove from Austin to Dallas one day last month and doubt I spent a moment *below* the posted speed limit during the two-and-a-half-hour ride. I was in the company of all the others driving on the interstate that day. Had I been pulled over for speeding, I would have been annoyed that I was singled out, but I could not have denied that I was speeding.

My experience with appraisers and USPAP is that the appraisers want to argue that, since everyone else was going that fast, it's alright to do so.

Here's the hardline, folks: USPAP *is* the speed limit on the appraisal highway. USPAP *is* the real world. It's important that you read the posted signs, and I can help you with that.

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