

National City Police Department



2019 Spring Firearms Qualification Course NCPD Range Staff

TYPE OF QUALIFICATION:

A scored training shoot utilizing the department's [REDACTED] Patrol rifle, shotgun, the officer's primary duty weapon, and the active shooter vests. The training shoot will be under normal (daylight) light conditions and be conducted at the NCPD range, to meet the requirement of Department Operating Procedure 51.1, Section VI, Paragraph A.

DATE(S):

The completion date and schedule for the training shoot will be developed by Range Master Sergeant Fernando or his designee(s).

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT:

- Officers are required to bring their primary duty weapon with three magazines and their normal duty belt.

WEAPONS/CALIBERS:

The type of caliber for the handguns used will be based on the officer's current primary duty weapon. [REDACTED] Patrol Rifles. High velocity buckshot ammunition will be used for the shotguns.

AMMUNITION/NUMBER OF ROUNDS:

Officers will shoot the department training ammunition during the qualification:

[REDACTED]
[22] Pistol rounds
[6] Shotgun rounds

TARGETS:

We will use department approved bottle neck Q style paper targets with cardboard backing. An **8 INCH CIRCLE** will be spray painted on the target for the patrol rifle qual.



LIGHTING CONDITIONS:

Officers will be required to shoot under normal (day time) lighting conditions.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT:

The use of ear and eye protection is mandatory and will be provided. Shooters will wear soft body armor and active shooter vests while shooting on the range. The Firearm Instructors will identify the first aid kit and go over the safety brief before each session.

RANGE BASIC SAFETY RULES:

1. *Treat every weapon as if it were loaded.*
2. *Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to fire.*
3. *Never point your weapon at anything you don't intend to shoot.*
4. *Be aware of your target, backstop and beyond.*
5. *Everyone is a range safety officer.*

There will be at least one portable handheld radio at the range during the qualification course. It will be monitored by NCPD dispatch and will be set to our primary channel, Dispatch-1.

FIREARMS INSTRUCTORS:

- Will ensure all officers review the following Department Policy & Procedures: Firearms [NCPD Procedure 051]; Firearms Training, Qualification and Specification [NCPD Procedure 051.1]; Use of Force [NCPD Procedure 052] -- A copy of each procedure will be provided to be kept on the range
- All Range Staff personnel will wear body armor and designated range staff uniforms while proctoring the qualification shoots.
- Range Staff will notify NCPD dispatch a qualification course is in progress.
- The shooters will wear soft body armor, active shooter vests and duty belts.
- All targets will be controlled from the master control station inside the range office.
- **New paper targets will be used for each shooter.**

SYNOPSIS OF SHOOT

The objective of this shoot is to have officers continue their proficiency with the handgun, shotgun and █ Patrol Rifle while wearing the active shooter vests. Shooters will also be instructed on making the █-rifle and shotgun "Patrol Ready" and how to unload a "Hot" rifle or shotgun and make it "Patrol Ready".

The shooters will stand stationary at each designated shooting lane. Targets will face the shooter at all positions. A Range Staff member will announce the Course of Fire to the shooters. Shooters will fire upon the command of "**THREAT!**"

The targets will be moved to the designated shooting distance based on the current course of fire. The shooter will keep their weapon pointed down range, in their holster, or slung using the attached rifle sling at all times. The shooters will exercise firearm safety at all times

The following will be the course of fire for the training:

INTRODUCTION

The shooters will be given instruction on the basic operation of the █ Patrol Rifle, sighting the █ Patrol Rifle, the █ shotgun and their nomenclature as a refresher.

Rifle "Patrol Ready"

Range Staff will give the shooters instruction and demonstrate the proper way to function check the rifle and make it "Patrol Ready" for the start of the shift. Range Staff will also give shooters instruction and demonstrate how to safely make a "HOT" weapon "Patrol Ready". Once the instruction portion is completed, the shooters will practice function checking the rifle and making it "Patrol Ready" while it is unloaded and "HOT". During this portion of the training **NO LIVE AMMUNITION WILL BE USED.**

Function Check/"Patrol Ready"

- Remove rifle from patrol car/armory
- Place fire selector on "SAFE"
- Remove magazine from rifle
- Pull charging handle back and lock bolt rearward
- Physically and visually check that the rifle is not loaded
- Release bolt catch and send bolt forward on an empty chamber
- Point the weapon in a safe direction and squeeze trigger to confirm safety is functioning correctly. Rifle should not fire.
- Place fire selector on "FIRE", point weapon in a safe direction and squeeze trigger to drop the hammer
- Close dust cover on the ejection port
- Check light to confirm the pressure switch and light are working
- Sights must be flipped up (daytime or nighttime rear aperture)
- Place magazine in rifle
- Secure rifle in the patrol car

How to make the "Patrol Ready" after it is "HOT"

- Place fire selector on "SAFE"
- Remove magazine from rifle
- Pull charging handle back and lock bolt rearward, ejecting a "live" round
- Physically and visually check that the rifle is not loaded
- Release bolt catch and send bolt forward on an empty chamber
- Point the weapon in a safe direction, then squeeze trigger to confirm safety is functioning correctly. Rifle should not fire.
- Place fire selector on "FIRE", point the weapon in a safe direction and squeeze trigger to drop the hammer
- Close dust cover on the ejection port
- Check light to confirm the pressure switch and light are working
- Place magazine in rifle
- Secure rifle in the patrol car

Shotgun "Patrol Ready"

Range Staff will give the shooters instruction and demonstrate the proper way to function check the shotgun and make it "Patrol Ready" for the start of the shift. Range Staff will also give shooters instruction and demonstrate how to safely make a "HOT" weapon "Patrol Ready." Once the instruction portion is completed, the shooters will demonstrate function checking the shotgun and making it "Patrol Ready" while unloaded and "HOT." During this portion of the training **NO LIVE AMMUNITION WILL BE USED.** Student to instructor ratio will be 1 to 1.

Function Check/"Patrol Ready"

- Remove shotgun from the patrol car
- Place shotgun on "SAFE"
- Rack the slide back so that the bolt is open
- Physically and visually check that the shotgun is not loaded in the chamber and magazine tubes
- Slowly close the bolt on an empty chamber
- Point the weapon in a safe direction, then squeeze trigger to confirm safety is functioning correctly. Shotgun should not fire.
- Place fire selector on "FIRE", point the weapon in a safe direction and squeeze trigger. Shotgun should fire.
- Load ammo in the magazine tube.
- Secure the shotgun in the patrol car.

"Hot" Shotgun to "Patrol Ready"

- Place shotgun on "SAFE"
- Press the action slide release and slowly rack the slide down almost completely back so that the bolt is open, exposing the chambered live round.
- Remove the live round from the chamber
- Remove the live rounds from the magazine tube
- Physically and visually check that the shotgun is not loaded in the chamber and magazine tubes
- Slowly close the bolt on an empty chamber
- Point the weapon in a safe direction, then squeeze trigger to confirm safety is functioning correctly. Shotgun should not fire.
- Place fire selector on "Fire", point the weapon in a safe direction, then squeeze the trigger. Shotgun should fire.
- Load ammo in the magazine tube.
- Secure the shotgun in the patrol car.

FIRST COURSE OF FIRE

The first course of fire is designed for proper marksmanship and magazine changes while using the [REDACTED] rifle. The shooter will be given instruction on how to fire the [REDACTED]-Patrol Rifle using proper sight alignment and sight picture. The shooter will be given time to practice proper sight alignment and sight picture prior to the live fire drill. There will be no live ammo used during the instruction portion.

[REDACTED] Target Position



[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

END OF COURSE OF FIRE

- The shooter will render his/her weapon completely safe and will “let it hang” only after the firearms instructor has verified the weapon is unloaded and safe.
- Range staff will evaluate each shooter’s target

SCORING:

All [REDACTED] rounds must be accounted for on the cardboard target. Any rounds unaccounted for on the cardboard target will result in an automatic failure.

The shooter must have [REDACTED] rounds inside the circle to pass.

SECOND COURSE OF FIRE

Patrol Ready Shotgun

Lane # 2 [REDACTED] The shooter will engage two targets from the “low-ready [REDACTED]”
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

THIRD COURSE OF FIRE

The objective of this shoot is to have officers continue their proficiency with the handgun. Officers must also demonstrate that they can field strip their pistols.

The officers will stand at each designated shooting lane. Targets will be bladed away from the officer. A Range Staff Officer will control the targets and rotate them under timed conditions. Officers will only shoot when the "THREAT" target is presented to them.

The officer will keep their weapon pointed in a safe direction or in their holster at all times. The shooters will exercise firearm safety at all times.

The following will be the course of fire for the training:

FIELD STRIP OF WEAPON:

- Officers will unload their pistols and holster them with the slide locked back.
- Officers will field strip their pistols and notify a RSO. Once the RSO has verified that the weapon has been disassembled, the officer will reassemble their weapons and stand by.

COURSE OF FIRE:

The course of fire is designed for proper marksmanship while using the handgun.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

END OF COURSE OF FIRE

- The shooter will render his/her weapon completely safe and will holster an empty weapon only after the firearms instructor has verified the weapon.
- Range staff will evaluate each shooter's target and give suggestions to improve each shooter's accuracy.

[REDACTED]