National City Police Department RIFLE COURSE

COURSE TITLE: FIREARMS/TACTICAL RIFLE

Includes all shoulder-fired weapons that are not a shotgun

COURSE NUMBER: 32075

COURSE HOURS: 16

COURSE GOAL: To provide students with the information and hands-on experience needed to

effectively use a Rifle

AUDIENCE: Sworn Peace Officers, including Level I and Level II Reserve Officers who are being

introduced to a rifle and will qualify and carry it on duty in the scope of their

employment

NOTE: Successful completion of this course satisfies the legislative training

mandate to possess short barrel rifles as specified in Penal Code section 33220(b) and

the Commission training requirement to possess long barrel rifles as specified in

Commission Regulation 1081.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Under the supervision of a qualified instructor, and using an approved law enforcement rifle, each student will:

- I. Demonstrate their understanding of the Four Basic Safety Rules for handling firearms.
- II. Demonstrate the ability to field strip the weapon and to properly clean and maintain it.
- III. Be provided with and demonstrate understanding of the agency policy regarding the use of firearms.
- IV. Demonstrate the ability to properly load, unload, and fire the weapon and to clear malfunctions that might occur with the weapon.

VI. Demonstrate proficiency with the weapon and obtain agency qualification.

REQUIRED CONTENT

Commission Regulation 1081

- (1) Law Update
- (2) Review of Use of Force Issues, Agency Policies, and Mission
- (3) Safety Issues
- (4) Nomenclature, Specifications, and Capabilities
- (5) Firearm Care, Breakdown, and Cleaning
- (6) Tactical Considerations
- (7) Skill Development and Qualification

Resources Needed:

- *Laptop Computer W/ PowerPoint
- *LCD Projector
- *Speakers
- *Range
- *Patrol rifles (1 per student plus 1 for instructor)
- *Two rifle magazines per student
- *50 dummy rounds
- *Cardboard target holder
- *Training targets
- *Chamber safe plug
- *NCPD Range Kits (eye protection, hearing protection, cleaning gear, first aid bag)

	Content	Instructor Notes
1.	Introduction and Orientation	*Instructor notes reminds the
		instructor what he/she needs
II.	Laws and Agency Policy	to do during this block of
		instruction; to include
	A. Penal Code section 32610(b)	handouts, videos, learning
	 Possession of Within Scope of Employment 	activities, etcfor example:
	B. Penal Code section 33220(b)	
	Training requirement	Using PowerPoint, show the
	C. Agency Firearms Use and Use of Force Policies	Patrol Rifle and the pertinent
	1. Use of Force options $\underline{\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{i})}$	parts of the weapon.
	2. Moral/Ethical Issues Involving Lethal Force <u>I(h)(j)</u>	
	3. Department Policy	Conduct weapons safety
	D. Law Update	check, and pass out one patrol
	 Tennessee vs. Garner 	rifle per table.
	2. Graham vs. Conner	
		PPT slide showing the safety
III.	Safety and Range Rules <u>I(c)</u>	rules, the instructor explains
		why the 4 safety rules and a
	A. The Four Basic Safety Rules include	safety check is important.
	 Treat all guns as if they are loaded. 	
	2. Never point the muzzle at anything you are not willing	Break apart rifle and go over
	to shoot.	each nomenclature

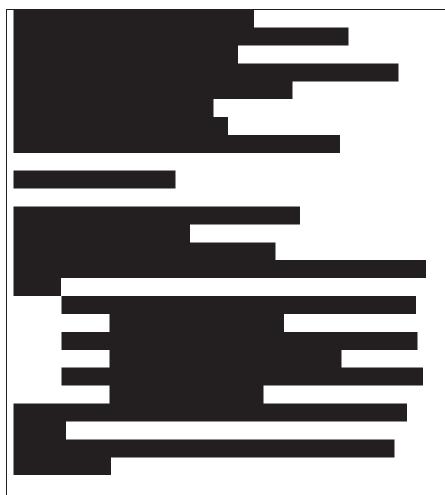
- 3. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on the target.
 - 4. Always be sure of your target and beyond.
- B. Range Rules
 - After weapons have been grounded, and the line has been called safe by an instructor do not touch the weapon until all students are back from their targets, and the instructor has given the okay.
 - 2. If a problem arises on the line, raise your non-gun-hand to summon an instructor.
 - 3. Firearms Instructor will be present at all times
- IV. Nomenclature, Specifications and Capabilities
 - A. Nomenclature
 - 1. Front and Rear Sights
 - 2. Bolt Catch
 - 3. Magazine Release
 - 4. Safety/Selector
 - 5. Magazine
 - 6. Sling and Sling Attachments
 - B. Specifications
 - 1. Type of Weapon
 - 2. Barrel Length
 - 3. Overall Length
 - 4. Caliber
 - 5. Magazine Capacity
 - 6. Weight (empty)
 - 7. Type of Sights
 - 8. Approximate Muzzle Velocity
 - C. Capabilities
 - 1. Maximum Range
 - 2. Maximum Effective Range
 - 3. Penetration of Soft Body Armor
 - 4. Full/Semi-Automatic
- V. Firearm Care, Disassembly/Assembly, and Maintenance
 - A. Refer to the manufacturer's care and operation manual.



Review proper lubrication allowed on patrol rifles. Safety note: never mix oils/ lubricants

I thru VI should take 4 hours and be done in classroom with PPT





X. Shooting Decision

- A. Know your abilities and limitations, and those of your weapon.
- B. Exercise fire discipline within agency guidelines and the parameters of applicable State and Federal laws.

XI. Skill Development

- A. Dry Firing Exercises
- 1. Done on the range under the direct supervision of the instructors.
- 2. Dry fire each position (standing, kneeling, sitting, and prone).
 - B. Live Firing Exercises

Done on the range under the direct supervision of the instructors.

Proceed to Learning Activity #1 (See below LAS) Proceed to Learning Activity #2 (See below LAS) Proceed to Learning Activity #3 (See below LAS)

I(a)

10. Close quarter tactical shooting with transitions to firearm

XII. Qualification

A. NCPD patrol rifle qualification course

I(b)

Learning Activity # 1

Time Required: 30 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Fire three volleys of three rounds and one of 4 to allow the student to sight in the patrol rifle

Key learning Points:

- Firing from the most stable platform
- Evaluating students fundamentals of firing patrol rifle
- Students gaining knowledge and confidence in patrol rifle

Resources Needed:

- Targets
- Patrol Rifles with magazines
- Markers to mark target
- Hearing and eye protection

Learning Activity # 2

Time Required: 40 minutes

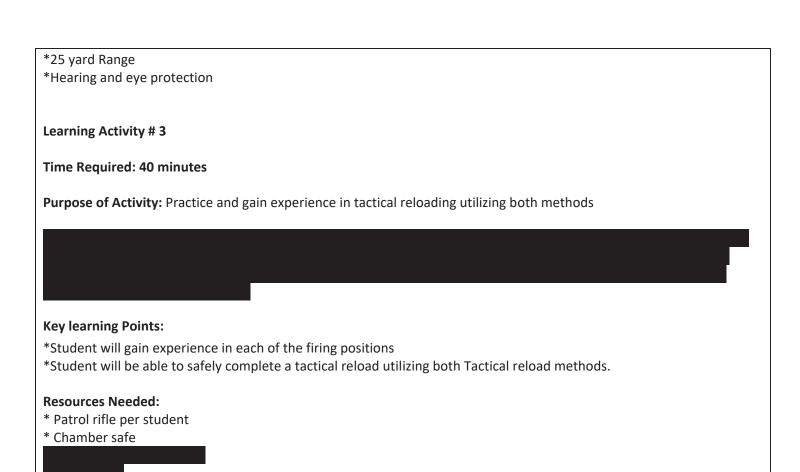
Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in firing from each firing position

Key learning Points:

- *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions
- *Student will be able to safely transition to different shooting positions

Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student
- * Chamber safe
- *Targets



*Targets

Learning Activity # 4 <u>I(f)</u> Time Required: 40 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in tactical reloading utilizing both methods

Key learning Points:

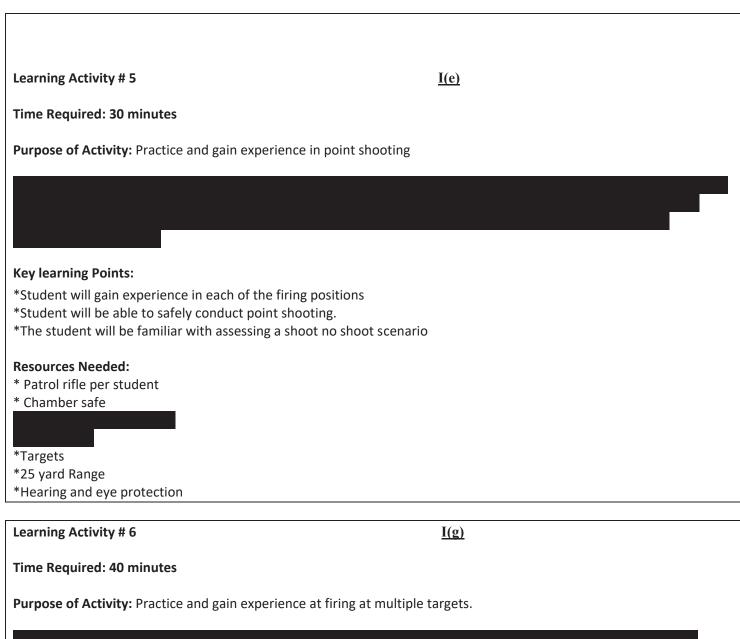
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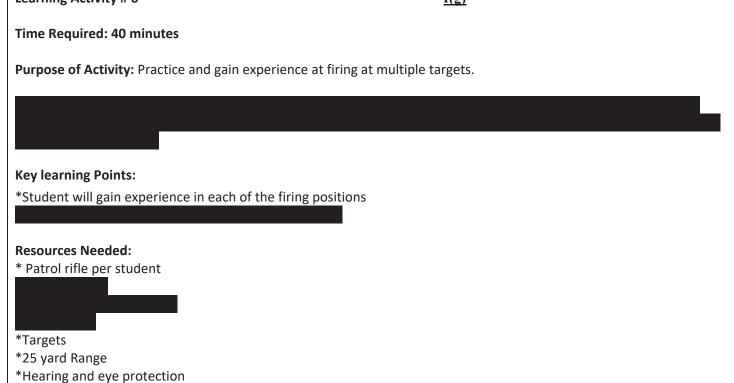
Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student
- * Chamber safe
- *Targets
- *25 yard Range
- *Hearing and eye protection
- * 2 dummy round per student

^{*25} yard Range

^{*}Hearing and eye protection





Learning Activity #7 Time Required: 40 minutes Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in shooting on the move **Key learning Points:** *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions *Student will be able to safely engage targets while on the move. **Resources Needed:** * Patrol rifle per student * Chamber safe *Targets *25 yard Range *Hearing and eye protection **Learning Activity #8 Time Required: 40 minutes** Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in firing the patrol rifle from behind a barricade

Learning Activity # 8 Time Required: 40 minutes Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in firing the patrol rifle from behind a barricade Key learning Points: *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions Resources Needed: * Patrol rifle per student * Chamber safe *Targets

*25 yard Range

*Barricades

*Hearing and eye protection

Learning Activity # 9		
Time Described 40 minutes		
Time Required: 40 minutes		
Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in firing the patrol rifle then transitioning to duty weapon		
Key learning Points:		
*Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions		
Resources Needed:		
* Patrol rifle per student		
* Chamber safe		
*Targets		
*25 yard Range		
*Hearing and eye protection		
*Duty handgun		

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*Handgun ammunition