



Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program

Mobile Team Unit 15

Training Announcement

Name of Training			Class ID#	Course ID#
Red Dot Pistol Course for Instructors			146056	74632
Date(s) of Training	Time	Hours	Location	
February 22-23, 2024	8:00-5:00	16	ISP District 12 14100 E 875 th Rd Heartville, IL	

Course Description

This course is intended for current Police Firearms Instructors to learn how to teach their officers the principles and proper operation of the Miniature Red Dot Systems (MRDS) for their duty pistols. Instructors will learn how to teach their officers to become familiar with the MRDS and how to zero it. Instructors will also be able to teach their officers how to find the dot upon presentation, how to track the dot under recoil, and how to address dot specific malfunctions. The practical range training will be set up in a “coach/ student” platform so each instructor will have multiple opportunities to teach their fellow instructors the course objectives. Instructors will learn the pros and cons of having the MRDS on duty weapons and the benefits of having department policies for the MRDS. This class is very hands-on, and instructors will be expected to pass the written test and the practical test with a 90% minimum score.

Students attending this class must be current Police Firearms Instructors. It is preferred that the student has already attended the Introduction to Red Dot class, but is not a requirement.

Course Objectives: Be able to teach the following:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand MRDS nomenclature. • Understand maintenance of MRDS system. • Find the dot / Track the dot. • Understand zero and holdover of MRDS. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand setting up an MRDS pistol. • Differentiate between red dot & iron sights. • Understand MRDS malfunctions and fixes. • Successfully pass the qualification exam. |
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Instructor



Jared Smith has served as a Corrections Officer at the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department (IL) for 19 years. Currently assigned full time to the department's training cadre, he is also a member of the department's CERT Team and a department Range Master. Jared is a certified Master Firearms Instructor, and holds several other firearms specific certifications. In his off time, he runs his business, DMEC Firearms Training, teaching LE and civilian courses.

Required Equipment

- 800 rounds of factory ammunition
 - Eye and ear protection
 - Full duty belt and proper holster to accommodate the MRDS
 - Permanent marker
 - Sight adjustment tool for your optic.
 - Duty handgun with MRDS optic
- Must be of a design that allows for co-witnessing with the mechanical (“iron”) sights on the handgun.**

Mandates Met by This Training

Emergency Medical Response Training; De-escalation Techniques; Officer Safety Techniques, including cover, concealment, and time

This class is partially funded and certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

