



Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training

Program

Mobile Team Unit 15

Training Announcement

Name of Training	Class ID#	Course ID#
Basic Police Shotgun Course	139388	74532

Date(s) of Training	Time	Hours	Location
December 4, 2023	0830 – 1630	8	Carbondale Police Range 105 S. Bigler Rd Carbondale, IL

Course Description

This training fills a void that has been present in basic police firearms training in Illinois for decades as the shotgun portions of Mandatory Firearms Training and Basic Law Enforcement Academy firearms training has merely covered “shotgun familiarization” lacking any real training of qualification standards.

This course is designed to provide students with the basic skills, knowledge, and abilities necessary to deploy the Police Shotgun safely and effectively in a deadly force arrest situation. Although the shotgun has been adapted over the years to deliver “Less-Lethal” or “Non-Lethal” munitions, this course will focus strictly on the shotgun being used as a deadly force device. This course will focus on the benefits, capabilities, potential hazards, and limitations of the shotgun in the law enforcement environment.

Course Objectives

Describe the circumstances in which the Police Shotgun might be deployed. Safely handle the Police Shotgun, during both training and deployment. Demonstrate the proper carry technique (ready positions) during deployment. Demonstrate the basic shooting fundamentals with the Police Shotgun. Accurately shoot the Police Shotgun. Remedy weapon failure (malfunctions). Properly load, reload, and unload the Police Shotgun. “Describe the proper carry condition” – (magazine load, round chambered, manual safety engagement. Properly clean, lubricate, inspect, and maintain the Police Shotgun. Describe the characteristics and ballistic performance of the various types of lethal ammunition for the Police Shotgun. Describe the maximum practical effective range of the Police Shotgun with various types of lethal ammunition. Understand equipment and accessories (sights, lights, slings, extra ammunition supply, etc.) which may be added to the Police Shotgun.

Equipment Needs

- Semi-automatic Duty Pistol, with 3 magazines
- Duty belt, holster, and other related gear
- Police shotgun
- Eye protection & Hearing protection
- Cleaning kit

Ammunition

- 150 rounds handgun
- 125 shotgun target loads 7 ½ - 8
- 25 rounds of 00 buckshot
- 10 rifled shotgun slugs

Instructor

MTU 15 Assistant Director Doug Wilson has over 24 years of police experience. Doug is a Firearms Instructor, Use of Force Instructor, EEOC Instructor, TASER Instructor and has been a supervisor, FTO, and Special Response Team member/ sniper, and has taught for the MTU 15 Part-Time Academy for much of his police career. Doug’s goal is to teach police officers to become “Thinker Fighters”.

Prerequisite

Officers must have successfully completed 40-hours Mandatory Firearms Training, or graduated from the Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy, to attend this class.

Mandates Met by This Training

Use of Force-De-escalation Techniques

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

