

# Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program

Mobile Team Unit 15

## **Training Announcement**

	Class ID#	Course ID#			
Basic Police Shotgun Course					74532
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March 25, 2024	8:30 A.M 4:30 P.M.	8	Southeastern Illinois College 3575 College Rd Harrisburg, IL 62946

## **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 Police Training Specialist Justin Spence brings over 22 years of law enforcement experience to MTU 15. Justin has served as both a municipal police officer in the metro east area and as a deputy sheriff / sergeant with the White County Sheriff's Department. Justin has served as a Police Firearms Instructor since 2004 and has provided in-service training for multiple departments in and around White County while serving in this capacity. Justin has also served as an Adjunct Instructor in Criminal Justice for Southeastern Illinois College since 2020. Justin also holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Murray State University and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Southern Indiana. Justin will be the primary contact point for agencies located within Training Service Area (TSA) 2.

## **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