Police Patrol Rifle Course

Expanded Course Outline

I. Introduction / Administration
   a. Handouts
   b. Post Roster
   c. Course Objectives
      1. Demonstrate understanding of the Four Basic Safety Rules for handling firearms.
      2. Demonstrate the ability to field strip the weapon and to properly clean and maintain it.
      3. Demonstrate understanding of the agency policy regarding the use of firearms.
      4. Demonstrate the ability to properly load, unload, and fire the weapon and to clear malfunctions that might occur with the weapon.
      5. Demonstrate the ability to apply the fundamentals for rifle marksmanship to fire accurately from the prone, kneeling, and standing positions.
      6. Demonstrate proficiency with the weapon and obtain agency qualification.

II. Policy Review
    a. Review Current Port Police Policy
    b. Brief on any recent case law changes

III. Safety and Range Rules
    a. The Four Basic Safety Rules include
       i. Treat all guns as if they are loaded.
       ii. Never point the muzzle at anything you are not willing to destroy.
       iii. Keep your finger off the trigger until you make the conscience decision to shoot.
       iv. Always be sure of your target and beyond.
    b. Medical
       i. Communication Plan / Procedures
       ii. Medical Facilities, Directions and Medical Plan
iii. First Aid Kit Contents and Location

c. Range Rules
   i. After weapons have been grounded, and the line has been called safe by
      an instructor do not touch the weapon until all students are on line and
      the instructor has given approval.
   ii. If a problem arises on the line, raise your non-gun-hand to summon an
       instructor.
   iii. Everyone is a range safety officer, if you see something unsafe call for a
        cease fire.

d. Range Commands
   i. Load and make ready
   ii. Ready
   iii. Standby
   iv. Threat
   v. Body Armor
   vi. Prepare to Move / Move
   vii. Safety On
   viii. Let them hang
   ix. Unload
   x. Clear your Weapon

e. Mandatory Safety Equipment
   i. Ear and Eye Protection
   ii. Knee and Elbow Pad
   iii. Individual First Aid Kit and Tourniquet

IV. Qualification Course

V. Principles of marksmanship Refresher
   i. 6 Basic principles of Marksmanship
      1. Grip
      2. Stance/Position
      3. Sighting
      4. Trigger Control
5. Breathing
6. Follow Through

ii. Sighting Systems
   1. Iron Sights
   2. EoTech Holographic Sight
   3. Aimpoint Holographic Sight
   4. Trijicon Holographic Sight
   5. Trijicon Rifle Optic

iii. Stances
   1. Standing
   2. Kneeling Supported/Unsupported
   3. Prone
   4. Sitting Open/Crossed Legged
   5. Unusual

VI. Weapon Manipulation / Malfunctions
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   i. Loading and Unloading
      1. L-Shape
      2. Side by Side
      3. Stow and Go
   ii. Malfunctions
      1. Five Causes of Malfunctions
         a. Failure to Feed
         b. Failure to Fire
         c. Failure to Extract
         d. Failure to Eject
         e. Failure to Think
      2. Malfunction Clearing Techniques
         a. With Cover
         b. Without Cover
   iii. Transitions
   iv. Team Reloads
VII. Drills

v. Team Concepts

1. Team Movement Drills
2. Bound and Over Watch
3. Team Formations
   a. Diamond Formations
   b. T Formations
4. Room Clearing
   a. Criss-Cross
   b. Button Hook
   c. Slight Penetration
5. Blocking / Entry Drills
   a. Entry Techniques with Rifle
   b. Stacking/Staging
   c. Path of Least Resistance

vi. Shooting on the Move

1. Shooting on the Move
   a. Forward Online Movement
   b. Rear online Movement
   c. Lateral movement
   d. Angle Movement

vii. Marksmanship

1. Double Tap
2. Body Armorer
3. Static Turns – Encountering Threats
   a. Eyes Look Front
   b. Identity / Assess
   c. Move
   d. Muzzle Up
   e. Threat
4. Shoot Don’t Shoot
a. Target Identification
b. Challenge Commands
   i. Finger Off Trigger
   ii. Clear Verbal Commands
5. Use of Force Considerations
   a. Verbal
   b. Hands on
   c. Less Lethal
      i. OC
      ii. Taser
      iii. Baton

VII. Breakdown / Weapon Cleaning
   i. Disassemble
      1. Field Strip Weapon
   ii. Cleaning
      1. Clean Upper, Lower, Bolt Carrier Group
      2. Proper Tools
      3. Lubricants / Cleaners
   iii. Assembly
      1. Bolt Carrier Group
      2. Upper to Lower
   iv. Function Check
      1. Importance after Disassembly / Assembly
      2. Technique
         a. Safety
         b. Trigger Pull
         c. Sear Reset

VIII. Graduation / Evaluations
   a. Evaluations and Certifications