#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

This course is designed to provide students with instruction in basic handgun operation and manipulation.

#### I. Course Introduction

### A. Registration

- Students will sign-in on a department class roster to receive a certificate of completion.
- ii. Collect fees, if needed.

#### B. Introduction

- i. Instructors will introduce themselves.
- ii. Students will introduce themselves and provide their course expectations.

### C. Course Outline and Objectives

- i. Instructors will provide an overview of the course schedule and outline.
- ii. Instructors will cover the course objectives.

### II. Range Safety Guidelines

- A. Four Firearms Safety Rules
  - i. Students will be introduced to the Four Firearms Safety Rules.
  - ii. Students will be strictly held to the standards of the Four Firearms Safety Rules moving forward.
  - iii. Four Firearms Safety Rules:
    - 1. Treat all firearms as if they are loaded.
    - 2. Never allow your muzzle to cover anything you are not willing to destroy.
    - 3. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are aligned and you have made the conscious decision to fire.
    - 4. Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.

#### B. Lead Contamination

- Safety precautions
  - 1. Wash hands, clothes after shooting.
  - 2. Do not eat or smoke after shooting.

## C. Handling of Weapons

- i. Cleaning Tables
- ii. Firing Line
- iii. Safe Loading / Unloading Techniques
- D. Safety/ Medical Briefing and Assignments

- i. First Aid / CPR Team
- ii. Hail Ambulance
- iii. Activate EMS
- iv. Scribe
- v. Code 3 equipped vehicle with driver/ transport

## III. Marksmanship Fundamentals

- A. Mounting the weapon
  - i. Aggressive, step forward with support side foot.
  - ii. Toe of stock in shoulder pocket.
  - iii. Establish cheek weld.
  - iv. Pull weapon into shoulder pocket with pistol grip with primary side hand.
    - 1. With support side hand, drive forward on foreend

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#### IV. Live fire Drills

### A. 1-Shot Drills

- i. Students will warm-up with single, dry trigger presses.
  - 1. No time limit.
- ii. Instructor will demonstrate 1-Shot Drill, live fire.
  - 1. During a gray man target to practice draw from the holster, acquire sights, and shoot one round at small black squares.
- iii. Students will complete drills starting at ½ speed and increasing as accuracy allows.
  - 1. Assess target misses for grip or timing issues.
- iv. **DRILL:** Upon threat command, fire 1 round, no time limit at the small square of a grey man target.
  - 1. 5 rounds, one at a time from high compressed / step 4 position.
  - 2. 5 rounds, one at a time from the holster.

#### B. Controlled Pairs

- i. Building block for a standard defensive response.
- ii. Remind students that for every round fired, they should acquire two sight pictures and for every two rounds, they should acquire three sight pictures, etc...
- iii. **DRILL:** Upon threat command, fire two aimed shots at the black square not utilized for the 1-shot drills.
  - 1. 3 controlled pairs, 1 pair at a time from high compressed / step 4 position.

2. 3 controlled pairs, 1 pair at a time from the holster.

#### C. Reload

- i. Administrative reloads
  - 1. Weapon into "workspace"
  - 2. Retrieve magazine from pouch closest to the centerline.
  - 3. Insert magazine vigorously into magazine well of firearm.
  - 4. Reholster firearm.

### ii. Tactical Reload

- 1. A proactive reload meant to bring the weapons ammunition source to full capacity.
- Reload with retention
  - a. Bring weapons into workspace.
  - b. Retrieve a magazine from the pouch closest to the centerline.
  - c. Bring magazine, indexed between the index and middle finger, up to magazine well.
  - d. Press magazine release and grab the magazine with the middle and ring finger, then remove the magazine.
  - e. Immediately replace the new magazine into the magazine well, seating vigorously.
  - f. Store the partially depleted magazine in a pocket.

#### D. Malfunctions

- i. Diagnostic Approach vs Non-Diagnostic
  - 1. Diagnostic Approach
    - a. Upon failure to fire, "break" wrist, assess state of firearm, determine the proper clearance method.
    - b. Type 1 Malfunctions
      - i. Known as "failure to fire," when the trigger is pulled shooter hears a "click" instead of firing.
      - ii. Caused by an empty chamber or bad round of ammunition.
      - iii. Clearing process.
      - iv. After clear, assess situation and fire if necessary, continue to evaluate.
    - c. Type 2 Malfunctions
      - i. Known as a stovepipe or "failure to eject."
      - ii. Occurs when the ejection port is prevented from closing by a partially ejected shell casing, trigger feels mushy and will not fire.

- iii. Clearing process.
- iv. After clear, assess situation and fire if necessary, continue to evaluate.
- d. Type 3 Malfunctions
  - i. Known as a "double feed" or "feed way stoppage".
  - ii. Caused when a round is not extracted from the chamber and another round is being partially fed from the magazine simultaneously, two rounds try to occupy the same space at the same time.
  - iii. Trigger feels mushy and will be inoperable, and weapon will be out of battery.
  - iv. Clearing process.
  - v. After clear, assess situation and fire if necessary, continue to evaluate.
- ii. Students, at the direction of instructor, will set up each malfunction and dry fire, then live fire, each of the malfunction clearing techniques.
  - 1. Non-Diagnostic
    - a. Upon failure to fire, perform Immediate Action
      - i. Tap, rack, flip
      - ii. Fire again if necessary.
    - b. If weapon still didn't fire, strip magazine, re-insert magazine, rack the slide.
      - i. Attempt to fire if still necessary.
- E. Shooting Responses
  - i. Standard Defensive Response
    - 1. A burst of aimed fire to the thoracic cavity.
  - ii. Failure to Stop
    - 1. A burst of aimed fire to the thoracic cavity followed by one shot to the cranio-ocular cavity.
  - iii. Non-standard Defensive Response
    - 1. A burst of aimed fire to the thoracic cavity followed by a burst to the pelvic girdle.
      - a. If a headshot is not possible or practical, the pelvic girdle can be used to immobilize the suspect.
  - iv. Immediate Stop Response
    - 1. One round to the cranio-ocular cavity.

2. They are used in a hostage rescue situation when the suspect's body is shielded by the hostage.

## F. Target Transitions

- 1. Spread Fire
  - a. When faced with multiple suspects, important to get shots on each one as quickly as possible to disrupt their O.O.D.A. loop and limits their ability to launch a successful attack.
  - b. The technique is to shoot each adversary once, then shoot each a second time.
- 2. Can pivot or set knees pointed at outer edge targets.

### G. Moving Targets

- 1. Tracking Method
  - a. Pick a point ahead of the target (4 to 8 inches depending on target speed).
  - b. Smoothly track the target while leading in one spot.
- 2. Ambush Method
  - a. Pick a fixed point ahead of the target.
  - b. Fire when target moves into desired area.
- ii. **DRILL:** From the 10-yard line, shooting at "running man" targets
  - 1. Engage target with 3 rounds utilizing demonstrated methods.
    - a. Students will be responsible for Rule 4 issues.

### H. Barricade Shooting

- i. Understand the difference between cover and concealment.
- ii. Must leave a standoff distance between barricade and shooter.
- iii. When utilizing the barricade, never present in the same spot twice.
- iv. **DRILL:** Set steel on the range, set barricades at the 15.
  - a. Start at the 20 yard, move to the barricade, using proper standoff.
  - b. Shooter will be behind the barricade.
  - c. Upon thread command, the shooter will present from behind the barricade and engage steel.
- I. Shooting on the Move
  - i. Slow Tactical Walk
    - 1. 1/1 instructor to student ratio at student's pace.
    - 2. Students moves from 25-yard line to the 10-yard line and back while engaging a steel target.
    - 3. Students will fire upon threat command from instructor.
  - ii. Fast Tactical Walk

- 1. 1/1 instructor to student ratio student's pace.
- 2. Student moves from 25-yard line to the 10-yard line and back while engaging the steel target.
- 3. Students will fire upon threat command from instructor.
- iii. **DRILL:** Steel will be placed near the knee wall.
  - Shooters will start at the 25-yard line at the low ready, finger straight, and move forward on the command move.
  - b. Upon thread command, shooter will engage the target.
  - c. Will move up to the 10-yard line.
- J. Distance Shooting
  - i. Requires more precise sight alignment and sight picture.
  - ii. More precise trigger manipulation as well.
    - 1. 90-10 press vs linear press.
    - 2. Instructor will demo each drill, then students will perform the drill
    - 3. **DRILL:** From the 15-yard line, steel targets, 5 reps from the holster.

From the 25-yard line, steel targets, 5 reps from the holster.

From the 35-yard line, steel targets, 5 reps from the holster.

From the 45-yard line, steel targets, 5 reps from the holster.

### K. SIG Assessment Test

- Each drill is a different shooting performance measure with a defined scoring zone and time standard.
- ii. Target with 8-inch hit zone, distance 5 yards, 5 yards between multiple targets.
  - 1. Low Ready: one round in 1.25 seconds
  - 2. Draw 2 Hand: draw and fire one round in 2 seconds.
  - 3. Draw Primary & Support Hand: draw and fire one round from primary, transfer to support hand, fire one round from support in 4 seconds.
  - 4. 2 Slide Lock Reload 2: draw and fire two rounds, perform slide lock reload, fire two rounds in 5.25 seconds.
  - 5. 6 Slide Lock Reload 1: draw and fire six rounds, slide must lock back, reload, fire one round in 6.25 seconds.

6. Multiple Target Z Drill: two targets one yard apart, fire a total of eight shots, moving between targets, in 7.5 seconds.

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V. Debrief Training Day