

National City Police Department


RIFLE COURSE

- COURSE TITLE:** FIREARMS/TACTICAL RIFLE
Includes all shoulder-fired weapons that are not a shotgun
- COURSE NUMBER:** 32075
- COURSE HOURS:** 16
- COURSE GOAL:** To provide students with the information and hands-on experience needed to effectively use a Rifle
- AUDIENCE:** Sworn Peace Officers, including Level I and Level II Reserve Officers who are being introduced to a rifle and will qualify and carry it on duty in the scope of their employment
- NOTE:** Successful completion of this course satisfies the legislative training mandate to possess short barrel rifles as specified in Penal Code section 33220(b) and the Commission training requirement to possess long barrel rifles as specified in Commission Regulation 1081.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Under the supervision of a qualified instructor, and using an approved law enforcement rifle, each student will:

- I. Demonstrate their understanding of the Four Basic Safety Rules for handling firearms.
- II. Demonstrate the ability to field strip the weapon and to properly clean and maintain it.
- III. Be provided with and demonstrate understanding of the agency policy regarding the use of firearms.
- IV. Demonstrate the ability to properly load, unload, and fire the weapon and to clear malfunctions that might occur with the weapon.


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- VI. Demonstrate proficiency with the weapon and obtain agency qualification.

REQUIRED CONTENT

Commission Regulation 1081

- (1) Law Update
- (2) Review of Use of Force Issues, Agency Policies, and Mission
- (3) Safety Issues
- (4) Nomenclature, Specifications, and Capabilities
- (5) Firearm Care, Breakdown, and Cleaning
- (6) Tactical Considerations
- (7) Skill Development and Qualification

Resources Needed:

- *Laptop Computer W/ PowerPoint
- *LCD Projector
- *Speakers
- *Range
- *Patrol rifles (1 per student plus 1 for instructor)
- *Two rifle magazines per student
- *50 dummy rounds
- *Cardboard target holder
- *Training targets
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- *Chamber safe plug
- *NCPD Range Kits (eye protection, hearing protection, cleaning gear, first aid bag)

Content	Instructor Notes
I. Introduction and Orientation	<p><i>*Instructor notes reminds the instructor what he/she needs to do during this block of instruction; to include handouts, videos, learning activities, etc...for example:</i></p> <p>Using PowerPoint, show the Patrol Rifle and the pertinent parts of the weapon.</p> <p>Conduct weapons safety check, and pass out one patrol rifle per table.</p>
II. Laws and Agency Policy	
A. Penal Code section 32610(b) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Possession of Within Scope of Employment B. Penal Code section 33220(b) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training requirement C. Agency Firearms Use and Use of Force Policies <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Use of Force options <u>I(i)</u> 2. Moral/Ethical Issues Involving Lethal Force <u>I(h)(i)</u> 3. Department Policy D. Law Update <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tennessee vs. Garner 2. Graham vs. Conner 	
III. Safety and Range Rules <u>I(c)</u>	
A. The Four Basic Safety Rules include <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Treat all guns as if they are loaded. 2. Never point the muzzle at anything you are not willing to shoot. 	<p>PPT slide showing the safety rules, the instructor explains why the 4 safety rules and a safety check is important.</p> <p>Break apart rifle and go over each nomenclature</p>

3. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on the target.

4. Always be sure of your target and beyond.

B. Range Rules

1. After weapons have been grounded, and the line has been called safe by an instructor do not touch the weapon until all students are back from their targets, and the instructor has given the okay.
2. If a problem arises on the line, raise your non-gun-hand to summon an instructor.
3. Firearms Instructor will be present at all times

Review proper lubrication allowed on patrol rifles. Safety note: never mix oils/lubricants

I thru VI should take 4 hours and be done in classroom with PPT

IV. Nomenclature, Specifications and Capabilities

A. Nomenclature

1. Front and Rear Sights
2. Bolt Catch
3. Magazine Release
4. Safety/Selector
5. Magazine
6. Sling and Sling Attachments

B. Specifications

1. Type of Weapon
2. Barrel Length
3. Overall Length
4. Caliber
5. Magazine Capacity
6. Weight (empty)
7. Type of Sights
8. Approximate Muzzle Velocity

C. Capabilities

1. Maximum Range
2. Maximum Effective Range
3. Penetration of Soft Body Armor
4. Full/Semi-Automatic

V. Firearm Care, Disassembly/Assembly, and Maintenance

A. Refer to the manufacturer's care and operation manual.

VI. [REDACTED]

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[Redacted text block]

Students should be given dummy rounds to load

Ensure each student has two magazines

Ensure to emphasize the assess the need to fire

[REDACTED]

X. Shooting Decision

- A. Know your abilities and limitations, and those of your weapon.
- B. Exercise fire discipline within agency guidelines and the parameters of applicable State and Federal laws.

XI. Skill Development

- A. Dry Firing Exercises
 - 1. Done on the range under the direct supervision of the instructors.
 - 2. Dry fire each position (standing, kneeling, sitting, and prone).
- B. Live Firing Exercises
 - 1. Done on the range under the direct supervision of the instructors.

I(a)

Proceed to Learning Activity #1 (See below LAS)
Proceed to Learning Activity #2 (See below LAS)
Proceed to Learning Activity #3 (See below LAS)

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10. Close quarter tactical shooting with transitions to firearm

XII. Qualification

A. NCPD patrol rifle qualification course

I(b)

Learning Activity # 1

Time Required: 30 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Fire three volleys of three rounds and one of 4 to allow the student to sight in the patrol rifle

Key learning Points:

- Firing from the most stable platform
- Evaluating students fundamentals of firing patrol rifle
- Students gaining knowledge and confidence in patrol rifle

Resources Needed:

- Targets
- Patrol Rifles with magazines
- Markers to mark target
- Hearing and eye protection

Learning Activity # 2

Time Required: 40 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in firing from each firing position

Key learning Points:

- *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions
- *Student will be able to safely transition to different shooting positions

Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student
- * Chamber safe

*Targets

- *25 yard Range
- *Hearing and eye protection

Learning Activity # 3

Time Required: 40 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in tactical reloading utilizing both methods



Key learning Points:

- *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions
- *Student will be able to safely complete a tactical reload utilizing both Tactical reload methods.

Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student
- * Chamber safe



- *Targets
- *25 yard Range
- *Hearing and eye protection

Learning Activity # 4

I(f)

Time Required: 40 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in tactical reloading utilizing both methods



Key learning Points:

- *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions



Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student
- * Chamber safe



- *Targets
- *25 yard Range
- *Hearing and eye protection
- * 2 dummy round per student

Learning Activity # 5

I(e)

Time Required: 30 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in point shooting

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Key learning Points:

- *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions
- *Student will be able to safely conduct point shooting.
- *The student will be familiar with assessing a shoot no shoot scenario

Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student
- * Chamber safe

[Redacted]

- *Targets
- *25 yard Range
- *Hearing and eye protection

Learning Activity # 6

I(g)

Time Required: 40 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience at firing at multiple targets.

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Key learning Points:

- *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions

[Redacted]

Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student

[Redacted]

- *Targets
- *25 yard Range
- *Hearing and eye protection

Learning Activity # 7

Time Required: 40 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in shooting on the move



Key learning Points:

- *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions
- *Student will be able to safely engage targets while on the move.

Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student
- * Chamber safe



- *Targets
- *25 yard Range
- *Hearing and eye protection

Learning Activity # 8

Time Required: 40 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in firing the patrol rifle from behind a barricade



Key learning Points:

- *Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions



Resources Needed:

- * Patrol rifle per student
- * Chamber safe



- *Targets
- *25 yard Range
- *Hearing and eye protection
- *Barricades

Learning Activity # 9

Time Required: 40 minutes

Purpose of Activity: Practice and gain experience in firing the patrol rifle then transitioning to duty weapon

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Key learning Points:

*Student will gain experience in each of the firing positions

[Redacted]

Resources Needed:

* Patrol rifle per student

* Chamber safe

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*Targets

*25 yard Range

*Hearing and eye protection

*Duty handgun

*Handgun ammunition

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