

Course Outline - Reasonable Officer Safety, Search, and Seizure

TITLE OF COURSE

Reasonable Officer Safety, Search, and Seizure

LEARNING OBJECTIVES and GOALS

Each participant will come away with a better understanding of:

- 4th amendment search and seizure case law
- Traffic Stop tactics and considerations
- De-escalation techniques and mindset
- Communicating with your neighborhood citizens
- Threat Assessment based on subject behavior
- Your body's reaction to stress and inoculation during violent force encounters
- Why did you become a cop?
- What you should be including in your departments force on force training
- Mental mindset and mental preparation to win at work and at home

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Every officers' goal is to stay safe and go home at the end of their shift, and the general public has a right to have their 4th amendment rights protected. This course helps officers break down case law related to search, seizure, use of force, and exceptions to a search warrant. The instructors then provide examples of how to apply it to your police-citizen contacts past, present, and future. This course will detail and show examples of Investigative Detentions; who do you detain, and when should you detain someone based on your threat assessment. Sometimes more control in the beginning of a police-citizen encounter, often results in less force used at the end.

Many times, during these use of force police-citizen encounters, stress levels increase, and the human body physiologically reacts in different ways to these stressors. The instructors will show examples of how your body reacts under stress and provide helpful tips for how officers can keep a winning mindset during a violent force encounter.

Would a reasonable citizen, that is not a cop, not present at the scene, believe and feel the same way the officer did in the moment? Many times, details in a police report, or lack of details, determine Case Law, which in turn affects every police officer across the country. This course will break down important details that need to be included and explained in a police report, to help officers when it comes time to testify in a court room.

In the current climate of “police mistrust” in many communities, it is important for officers to be able to deescalate a situation when tempers flare up, but stay in control, and still be professional in their actions. This course will show officers some mental mindset tools and tips to help them understand that as generations change, so must the police officer’s mindset when dealing with different generations. The instructors will show examples of how to build relationships with a neighborhood and explain your actions to the citizen once officer safety is not a factor, and the scene is secure.

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

See Instructors at RallyPointDefense.Net

HOURS of Class

8hrs or 16hrs

COST

TBD

COURSE DATES

TBD

LOCATION

TBD

AUDIENCE and PREREQUISITES

All participants must be sworn law enforcement officers, and, or, prosecuting attorneys/district attorneys

TEXT

Hand out containing pertinent course topics and information.

ATTENDANCE

Participants are expected to be punctual, prepared, and take an active role in participation for the duration of this course.

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

Attendees must complete a written exam administered by the instructors to receive a course certificate of completion.

DISCLAIMER

Information contained in this syllabus was, to the best knowledge of the instructor, considered correct and complete when distributed for use. The instructor reserves the right, acting in accordance with any standing departmental policies, to make changes in course content or instruction techniques without notice or obligation.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

Department Identification, Notebook, and a pen/pencil.

Offered as a One, or Two-Day Course

Course Schedule – One Day Class

- 0830 to 1030 – 4th Amendment Case Law involving Search, Seizure, Use of Force, and Exigent Circumstances
- 1030 to 1130 – Traffic Stop Vulnerabilities
- 1130 to 1230 – Lunch
- 1230 to 1500 – Threat Assessments based on Behavior and Emotions
- 1500 to 1600 – Winning Mindset Under Stress
- 1600 to 1630 – Review and written exam of material.

Course Schedule – Two Day Class

- 0830 to 1130 – 4th Amendment Case Law involving Search, Seizure, Use of Force, and Exigent Circumstances
- 1130 to 1230 – Lunch
- 1230 to 1430 – Traffic Stop Vulnerabilities
- 1430 to 1630 – Deescalating Communication and Community Relationships

Day Two

- 0830 to 1500 – Threat Assessments based on Behavior and Emotions
- 1030 to 1130 – Setting Up Use of Force Training Scenarios
- 1130 to 1230 - Lunch
- 1230 to 1500 – Winning Mindset Under Stress
- 1500 to 1600 – Review and written exam of material.