

Rapid Deployment Training for the Active Shooter

The Active Shooter is an issue of great concern and priority to our law enforcement profession. Recent events across the world have highlighted the need for realistic training that includes concepts, principles, and tactics designed to meet the challenges presented by these threats.

Our Rapid Deployment program has evolved over the years since its inception in 2001 thereby creating a stronger and more efficient response to the active shooter. Some of the modifications include:

- Utilizing the Rolling T-formation in both the Contact and Rescue team approach.
- The Diamond formation utilization when dealing with victims and suspects.
- The wing officers are used in the static searches while the point officer maintains their position to continue tracking and verifying all upcoming areas and concerns.
- Emphasis is placed on responding officers to immediately move to the threat while preventing waiting on back-up officers.
- The green card has now been removed by the Department of Public Instruction school system.

The three-day [Solo Active Shooter Response Conditioning](#) course was developed to address the likelihood of a solo officer responding to an active shooter incident. The course material includes:

- Tactical mindset development
- Threshold evaluation of various types of areas such as rooms
- 300 round firearm course focused on target accuracy and firing from various positions
- Force on force scenarios

Rapid Deployment instructors should regularly check our website for the current Rapid Deployment lesson plan. Delivery of the BLET Rapid Deployment block must be from the current lesson plan.

Please contact Floyd Yoder at 828-685-3600 ext. 211 or fyoder@ncdoj.gov for any questions, comments, concerns, or clarification regarding our Rapid Deployment and Solo Active Shooter Response programs.