

# In-Service Firearms Qualification Manual



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## ***ABOUT THE NORTH CAROLINA JUSTICE ACADEMY***

The North Carolina Justice Academy is a division of the North Carolina Department of Justice. Created in 1973, the Academy's enabling legislation establishes its duties as providing training programs for criminal justice personnel, providing technical assistance upon request to criminal justice agencies to aid them in the discharge of their responsibilities and developing, publishing and distributing educational and training materials. Program areas for these services are defined through the five centers of the Training Division: Legal; Law Enforcement Leadership; Commission/Inservice; Tactical/Traffic; and Investigations. In addition, the Support Division operates the Learning Resource Center, conducts research, produces video and other graphic and printing services, coordinates institutional development and supports the campuses as a training environment for Academy courses as well as those of other state and local agencies.

The Academy's eastern campus in Salemburg is situated on a site with a long educational history. Established in 1875 as Salem Academy, the campus has subsequently functioned as Pineland School for Girls, Pineland Junior College, Edwards Military Institute and finally Southwood College. The campus still utilizes the Blanchard Learning Resource Center, the Royal Classroom Building, the Jones Auditorium, a cafeteria and an office building from the Southwood campus. Added over the years have been a new classroom building and learning resource center, dormitories, an administration building, a support services building, a maintenance building, a new state-of-the art gymnasium, classroom additions, firearms ranges, a driving track and other practical exercise areas. In September 1998, the Academy's western campus opened in Edneyville. Later, in 2004, it was named the Larry T. Justus Western Justice Academy in honor of Representative Larry T. Justus. The western campus in Edneyville is located on the former site of the Edneyville High School complex.

Renovations have resulted in modern classrooms, office space, a gymnasium, dormitory and cafeteria. A state-of-the-art indoor firearms range opened on campus in 2011. Both campuses have wireless Internet access and onsite computers for student usage.

Please let us know about your needs and the quality of our service. Your input will help us determine what we should continue to do and guide us into areas of change.



# North Carolina Justice Academy

## Mission

To improve the quality and effectiveness of criminal justice services to the citizens of North Carolina through research, education, training, and support for criminal justice and related personnel.

## Core Values

Everyone at the North Carolina Justice Academy is dedicated to meeting your needs in the best possible way. In everything we do, we strive to build a quality conscious organization that attends to your training needs. The following Core Values establish inviolable standards of quality and professionalism and let you know what you can expect from us.

We will provide quality training to our students. It will be current, consistent, correct, and applicable to on-the-job experience.

We will put our students' interests first. We will help them achieve their goals by putting their needs first. We will seek their input in all that we do.

We encourage and support our staff's creative, innovative ideas and practices. We are committed to a quality work environment and the professional development of each employee. Our staff is our greatest resource.

We will treat all people fairly and in an unbiased manner and will establish an environment conducive to this. All persons with whom we interact will be treated with respect and courtesy.

We will ensure that our learning environment is comfortable and clean and attends to both the routine and special needs of the students.

We believe that students learn best when they can practice skills and apply them to their job setting. Our training will emphasize "hands on" experiences in the classroom.

We are representatives of the Academy and the Department of Justice. We will act and look professional at all times.

We will strive to be the leaders in innovative practices, programs, and technology; assisting our clients in addressing present and future needs of the citizens of this state.

We'll never forget that we ultimately serve the citizens of North Carolina and therefore we will manage our organization's resources effectively and efficiently.

## **Statement of the North Carolina Justice Academy's Policy on Academic Integrity**

The very nature of the Criminal Justice profession requires its members to possess and demonstrate accepted standards of integrity, including the area of academics. Therefore, the North Carolina Justice Academy has adopted a policy of academic integrity.

### I. Definition

Violation of this policy is defined to include, but not limited to, the following activities:

- A. Cheating;
- B. Plagiarism;
- C. Falsification and/or fabrication;
- D. Abuse of academic materials;
- E. Complicity in academic dishonesty, and
- F. Personal misrepresentation.

### II. Punishment

Violation of this policy shall result in corrective action up to and including dismissal from the course in which the student is currently enrolled, denial of enrollment in future courses, and notification of the student's employing agency.

When in doubt about what would constitute a potential violation, students should always discuss the matter with your instructor or course coordinator.

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**N.C. Criminal Justice Standards Division**

**N.C. Sheriffs' Standards Division**

**North Carolina Justice Academy**

**Law Enforcement Liaison Section**

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<b>ATTEMPTS TO QUALIFY</b>	Limited to three attempts per day, per course (handgun day, handgun night, shotgun, etc.) until December 31 of each calendar year.	Limited to three attempts per day, per course (handgun day, handgun night, shotgun, etc.) until December 31 of each calendar year.
<b>CLASSROOM REQUIREMENTS</b>	Use of Force Safety Review of Basic Marksmanship Fundamentals Relevant Case Law	Use of Force Safety Review of Basic Marksmanship Fundamentals Relevant Case Law
<b>REFERENCE MANUAL</b>	Specialized Firearms Instructor Training Manual -most current.	Specialized Firearms Instructor Training Manual - most current.
<b>FAILURE TO QUALIFY</b>	Officer is not authorized to carry weapon. Certification is suspended.	Justice officer is not authorized to carry weapon. Suspension of certification if not placed in "unauthorized status."
<b>REINSTATEMENT AFTER FAILURE TO QUALIFY</b>	Enroll in "Firearms" block of BLET and complete. Submit to Commission documentation of satisfactory completion.	Verification from Sheriff that justice officer has qualified with letter of authorization to carry a weapon.
<b>DOCUMENTATION</b>	Form F-9A - front and back or front of Form F-9A plus agency form that meets information requirements of Form F-9A.	Form F-9A - front and back or front of Form F-9A plus agency form that meets information requirements of Form F-9A.

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<p><b>REQUIRED SIGNATURES ON THE F-9A</b></p>	<p>The F-9A must be signed by the firearms instructor that conducted the classroom activity, the firearms instructor conducting the range activity and the agency head. The firearms instructor that taught the classroom portion <b>MAY</b> sign their own F-9A <b>ONLY</b> for the classroom portion. If the training is conducted on-line, the classroom signature requirement must be signed by a firearms instructor who must see proof of completion of the block of instruction and proof of passing the required test.</p>	<p>The F-9A must be signed by the firearms instructor that conducted the classroom activity, the firearms instructor conducting the range activity and the agency head. The firearms instructor that taught the classroom portion <b>MAY</b> sign their own F-9A <b>ONLY</b> for the classroom portion. If the training is conducted on-line, the classroom signature requirement must be signed by a firearms instructor who must see proof of completion of the block of instruction and proof of passing the required test.</p>
<p><b>HIGHER STANDARD (above 70% qualification)</b></p>	<p>Officers required to meet higher standard if set by agency.</p>	<p>Justice officers required to meet higher standard if set by agency.</p>
<p><b>'APPROVED' COURSE OF FIRE</b></p>	<p>Not required.</p>	<p>Not required.</p>
<p><b>RELEASE OF FIREARMS QUALIFICATION SCORES UNDER PUBLIC RECORDS LAW</b></p>	<p>May not release.</p>	<p>May not release.</p>
<p><b>ROLE OF FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR</b></p>	<p>Conduct required training Call courses of fire Grade or score targets Complete required documentation - F9A, F9R</p>	<p>Conduct required training Call courses of fire Grade or score targets Complete required documentation - F9A, F9R</p>

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<b>ROLE OF AGENCY HEAD</b>	Insure review of departmental policy regarding use of force.  Submit Form F-9 by Jan. 15 of each calendar year.  Insure compliance of all rules regarding documentation and authority to carry weapons.	Maintain copies of all courses of fire.  Submit In-Service Compliance Form F-2100 by Jan. 15 of each calendar year.  Insure compliance of all rules regarding documentation and authority to carry weapons.
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<b>COURSE OF FIRE REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b><u>Day Handgun</u></b>	<b><u>Day Handgun</u></b>
	Distance: 3-25 yards	Distance: 3-25 yards
	Positions:        Standing Kneeling Prone Barricade	Positions:        Standing Kneeling Prone Barricade
	Timed Fire: Required	Timed Fire: Required
	<b><u>Night Handgun</u></b>	<b><u>Night Handgun</u></b>
	Distance: 3-15 yards	Distance: 3-15 yards
	Light Conditions: Variable from total darkness to all available light.	Light Conditions: Variable from total darkness to all available light. <i>Flashlight is required at the five yard line.</i>
	Positions:        Standing Kneeling	Positions:        Standing Kneeling
	Minimum Rounds: 30	Minimum Rounds: 30
	Shots per yard line: "Reasonable ratio" as per BLET. For instance, in BLET the percentage of shots fired from the 25 is 24%. In an in-service course the percentage must be close to that of BLET, such as from 20% - 25%.	Shots per yard line: "Reasonable ratio" as per BLET. For instance, in BLET the percentage of shots fired from the 25 is 24%. In an in-service course the percentage must be close to that of BLET, such as from 20% - 25%.
	<b><u>Shotgun Day</u></b>	<b><u>Shotgun Day</u></b>
	Required if carried using duty/BE ammunition.	Required if carried using duty/BE ammunition.
	<b><u>Shotgun Night</u></b>	<b><u>Shotgun Night</u></b>
	Not required.	Required if carried using duty/BE ammunition.
	<b><u>Combat Day &amp; Night</u></b>	<b><u>Combat Day &amp; Night</u></b>
	Required.	Required.
	<b><u>Rifle/Specialty Weapons</u></b>	<b><u>Rifle/Specialty Weapons</u></b>
	Required if carried on day course at a minimum.	Required if carried on day course at a minimum.

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## Purchase of a Handgun by a N.C. Law Enforcement Officer

Officers may purchase a handgun if the officers are authorized by law to carry firearms, and if the officers identify themselves to the vendor or donor as being officers authorized by law to carry firearms and provide any of the following:

- (1) A letter signed by the officer's supervisor or superior officer stating that the officer is authorized by law to carry a firearm.
- (2) A current photographic identification card issued by the officer's employer.
- (3) A current photographic identification card issued by a State agency that identifies the individual as a law enforcement officer certified by the State of North Carolina.
- (4) A current identification card issued by the officer's employer and another form of current photographic identification.

**\*Note: Not all firearms dealers will honor this and will sometimes still require a CCH permit or pistol purchase permit.\***

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## Concealed Carry for Law Enforcement Officers

For agencies that allow officers to carry concealed weapons off duty, the following issues will apply.

1. Pursuant to Firearms In-Service qualification requirements of the Criminal Justice and Sheriff's Commissions, the officer must qualify with **ALL** weapons that they carry off duty using the same standards required for a duty weapon. If the officer is carrying concealed pursuant to a NC concealed carry permit (G.S. 14-415.10 et.seq.), that authority of the law does not require the person to qualify with each weapon carried.
2. If a qualified sworn officer elects to obtain a Concealed Carry Permit pursuant to (G.S. 14-415.10, et.seq.) the officer may not be required to complete the training course as required by G.S. 14-415.12(a)(4). This applies to all sworn officers who are:
  - a. Employed by a local, State or company police agency in North Carolina and are authorized by the agency to carry a handgun in the course of duty.
  - b. The individual is not the subject of disciplinary action by the agency that prevents the carrying of a handgun.
  - c. The individual meets the requirements established by the agency regarding handguns.

This exemption from the safety class requirement also applies to "Qualified Former Sworn Law Enforcement Officers," defined as "an individual who retired from service as a law enforcement officer with a local, State or campus police agency in North Carolina, other than for reasons of mental disability, who has been retired as a sworn law enforcement officer two years or less from the date of the permit application, and who satisfied all of the following:

- a. Immediately before retirement, the individual was a qualified law officer with a local, State or company police agency in North Carolina.
  - b. The individual has a non-forfeitable right to benefits under the retirement plan of the agency as a law enforcement officer.
  - c. The individual is not prohibited by State or federal law from receiving a firearm."
4. G.S. 14-269(b) allows a sworn law enforcement officer to carry weapons off duty so long as the officer does not consume alcohol or an unlawful controlled substance or while alcohol or unlawful controlled substances remain in the officer's body. Written regulations filed by the agency head are no longer required. G.S. 14-269.2 allows officers carrying pursuant to G.S. 14-269(b) to do so on educational property. \* G.S. 14-415.22 provides that a person who may lawfully carry a concealed weapon or handgun pursuant to G.S. 14-269(b) shall not be prohibited from carrying the concealed weapon or handgun on property on which notice is posted

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prohibiting the carrying of a concealed handgun, unless otherwise prohibited by statute, or by departmental policy.\*

5. Agency heads should remember that the requirement to cover use of force may now apply to the officer's right to use deadly force outside of their respective jurisdiction. Consequently, agencies may wish to consider instructing officers in the laws governing the use of deadly force and self-defense by civilians.

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## FEDERAL LAW RELATING TO CONCEALED CARRY BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

On July 22, 2004 President George Bush signed into law H.B. 218, “The Law Enforcement Officers’ Safety Act of 2004.” This new law, codified as Public Law No. 108-277 amends Title 18 of the United States Code to allow certain qualified current and former law enforcement officers to carry concealed handguns.

This law provides, “Notwithstanding any other provision of the law of any state or any political subdivision thereof, an individual who is a qualified law enforcement officer and who is carrying the identification required...may carry a concealed firearm...subject to the restriction that:

- (1) Private persons or entities may prohibit or restrict the possession of concealed firearms on their property; or
- (2) Any state or local government may prohibit or restrict the possession of firearms on its property, installation, building, base, or park.”

Several changes reflected in this section were made with the signing by President Barack Obama of S. 1132 into law.

### ACTIVE OFFICERS

The term qualified law enforcement officer means an employee of a governmental agency who is authorized by law to engage in or supervise the prevention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of, or the incarceration of any person for, any violation of law, and has statutory powers of arrest. The person must be authorized by the agency to carry a firearm and not be the subject of any disciplinary action by the agency. Additionally, the person must meet the standards established by the agency which require the employee to regularly qualify in the use of a firearm. The officer may not be under the influence of alcohol or another intoxication or hallucinatory drug or substance while carrying the firearm and must not be prohibited by federal law from receiving a firearm.

A qualified law enforcement officer must be an employee of a governmental agency, therefore private police or campus police for a private institution, would not qualify for this allowance. Additionally, the qualified law enforcement officer must have broad powers of arrest for “any violation of the law” which would appear to disqualify probation and parole officers. Since the definition also requires that the officer be authorized by the agency to carry a firearm, deputy sheriffs in a non-gun carrying status would not fit this definition.

The law requires officers to carry a photographic identification issued by the governmental agency for which the individual is employed as a law enforcement officer. Additionally, officers would be restricted from carrying pursuant to this authority any machine gun or suppressor, or destructive device as defined by 18 U.S.C. § 921.

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## SEPARATED OFFICERS

Similar authority is granted to certain qualified separated law enforcement officers. A separated law enforcement officer is defined as an individual who separated in good standing from service with a public agency as a law enforcement officer, other than for reasons of mental instability. Before such separation, the former officer must have been authorized by law to engage in or supervise the prevention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of, or the incarceration of any person for, any violation of law, and have had statutory powers of arrest.

Additionally, before separation the officer must have been regularly employed as a law enforcement officer for an aggregate 10 years of more, or separated from service with the agency, after completing any applicable probationary period of such service due to a service connected disability, as determined by the agency. As with current officers, separated officers are similarly restricted from carrying machine guns, suppressors, or destructive devices. The separated officer must not be under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substances while carrying concealed and must not be prohibited from federal law from receiving a firearm.

As with current officers, only those separated from governmental units would qualify. In order to carry under this provision the separated officer must possess retired/separated identification documents from the agency and proof the officer has qualified with their firearm within the last 12 months. The identification required for retired /separated officers must be a photographic identification issued by the agency from which the individual retired, or was separated from that indicates that the individual has, not less recently than one year before the date the individual was carrying a concealed firearm, been tested or otherwise found by the agency to meet the standards established by the agency for training and qualification for active law enforcement officers to carry a firearm.

If the officer's former agency does not perform firearms qualification for their retirees or separated officers, the law has one other avenue for the retired/separated officer to explore. The retired/separated officer, in addition to carrying photographic identification issued by the agency from which the individual retired, could see if the state in which the individual resides could issue a certification to the retired/separated officer that indicates that the individual has within the last one year been tested and found by the State to meet the standards for firearms qualification.

North Carolina did not have a state agency set up to perform this function at the time this law was enacted. In 2007 the North Carolina General Assembly enacted H.B. 1231 that revised 17C giving the authority to conduct this program to the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission.. The following pages will answer the "Frequently Asked Questions" as well as a copy of the qualification form (F-9R) required for all out of state officers who qualify in North Carolina and for all officers from North Carolina who do not qualify with their agency.

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## SEPARATED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FIREARMS QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

In order to comply with federal legislation passed by Congress in 2004, which is known as H.R. 218, and which allows qualified and trained separated law enforcement officers to carry concealed firearms nationwide, the North Carolina General Assembly ratified House Bill 1231 on August 1, 2007. The bill was signed into law on August 27, 2007 and became effective on December 1, 2007. The Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission was tasked with developing and implementing a statewide program to “establish standards and guidelines for the annual firearms certification of qualified separated law enforcement officers.” As a result, the Commission requested a new Sub-Chapter of the North Carolina Administrative Code, Title 12, Chapter 9, Sub-Chapter 09H. The new Sub-Chapter 09H, Sections .0101-.0105 became effective April 1, 2009.

The Criminal Justice Standards staff has developed the application form and identification card for separated officers who will participate in this program. Law enforcement agency heads, school directors, specialized firearms instructors and interested parties will be sent an information package regarding this program in the near future. In preparing to advise individuals who may be interested in this program, the following information is provided:

1. ***What is the federal requirement?***

Qualified separated officers may legally carry concealed firearms if he/she possesses a certification “issued by the State” in which the individual resides that indicates that the separated officer has, within the past year, been tested or otherwise found “by the State” to meet the standards established by the State for training and qualification for active LEOs to carry a firearm of the same type as the concealed firearm.

2. ***Why do the rules not apply to separated officers who complete the required training and qualification from the agency from which they retired?***

Officers in this category would have met the requirements specified in the Federal legislation (H.R. 218 & S. 1132) and they would **NOT** have to apply with the Commission for certification of their qualification.

3. ***What does North Carolina HB 1231 specify about annual qualifications?***

Separated officers may qualify with the agency from which they separated and meet the federal standards, or they may meet the State requirements established by the CJ Standards Commission and receive certification from the Commission through this program.

4. ***Who established the standards for the Separated Law Enforcement Officers Firearms program?***

A joint committee, which included representatives of the Criminal Justice Standards Commission and the Sheriffs’ Standards Commission, was established to develop standards. The recommended standards were accepted by the CJ Standards

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Commission and proposed administrative rules were drafted. The program will be administered by the Commission staff with the CJ Standards Division.

**5. *What training must the separated officer complete?***

The separated officer must complete the current Commission-mandated In-Service Firearms Training & Qualification. Currently, the in-service program requires six (6) hours of annual training on safety, marksmanship fundamentals and use of force, plus qualification on the firing range with duty weapons to include a day and night combat course. An additional two (2) hours of training will be required on the North Carolina laws of self defense and use of force by private citizens, detention of persons by private persons, and assistance to law enforcement officers by private persons.

**6. *Why does the law require separated officers to qualify with each handgun he/she will carry rather than the type of weapon the officer will carry?***

H.R. 218 & S. 1132 specifies that the individual must meet the State's standards for training and qualification for active law enforcement officers to carry firearms. 12 NCAC 09E .0106 (Commission's in-service rule) requires officers to qualify with their individual and departmental approved handgun(s) at least once each year.

**7. *Does a Criminal Justice Commission Certified Law Enforcement Specialized Firearms instructor have to conduct the training?***

Yes. Only Commission certified Law Enforcement Specialized Firearms Instructors will be authorized to conduct training and qualification.

**8. *Are there any fees to become certified under the Separated Law Enforcement Officers Firearms Certification program?***

Yes. The initial certification fee for separated officers participating in this program is \$50.00 and an annual renewal fee of \$25.00.

**9. *Will the Criminal Justice Commission regulate the amount instructors charge separated officers to complete the training and qualification?***

No, the Criminal Justice Commission has no statutory authority to do so.

**10. *What paperwork must the separated law enforcement officer supply to Criminal Justice Standards when applying?***

Separated officers must submit an application to the Criminal Justice Standards Division which includes an affidavit attesting that the individual is separated in good standing as per specifics of H.R. 218 and S. 1132, and that he/she is eligible to receive or possess firearms under Federal and State laws. The applicant must also attest to various other qualifying requirements and provide a copy of the separated officer's photo ID confirming their separated status. A current CJ certified Firearms Instructor must sign the individual's application to attest that the training requirements have been met.



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11. *Who must maintain the records of training and qualification on retired officers applying under this program?*

The Commission's rules require the instructor conducting the training and qualification to maintain records of such for a period of five (5) years. The records will not be sent to CJ Standards unless a specific request is made for same by CJ Standards staff, however, the records must be available for inspection by a CJ Standards representative at reasonable times. In cases where instructors are conducting training on behalf of a NC governmental law enforcement agency, the NC Justice Academy, or a NC Community College, the records shall be maintained by the agency or institution in lieu of the instructor.

12. *How often must a separated officer qualify with their weapons and renew their certification?*

Separated officers must qualify "during the most recent 12 month period."

13. *What is the difference between this program and the Concealed Carry Handgun program?*

The Concealed Carry Handgun permit allows an individual to carry concealed within North Carolina in permissible areas as well as those states who have reciprocity agreements with North Carolina. The Separated Law Enforcement Officers qualification certification allows for individuals to carry a concealed handgun nationwide in permissible areas.

**\*Note:** Please refer to the "Concealed Carry - Handgun Reference Chart" for information on allowances and restrictions for carrying concealed weapons in North Carolina for law enforcement officers, out-of-state law enforcement officers, separated law enforcement officers, holders of concealed carry handgun permits and out-of-state reciprocal concealed carry handgun permit holders.

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## TARGET INFORMATION

For the purpose of in-service firearms qualification, there is **NO** restriction on the type of target to be used, as is in BLET, where the B-27 target is mandated. The following pages reflect several types of targets that an agency may wish to utilize. Targets are available from most of the law enforcement suppliers in North Carolina.

Other sources of targets are:

Speedwell Targets 1-800-243-8274  
136 Lincoln Blvd.  
Middlesex, NJ 08846 FAX 1-201-560-7475  
[www.speedwelltargets.com](http://www.speedwelltargets.com)

Caswell International Corp. 1-612-379-2000  
1221 Marshall Street  
Minneapolis, MN 55413

Realistic Training Systems, Inc. 1-507-334-7241  
PO Box 254  
Fairbault, MN 55021

National Target, Inc.  
4960 Wyaconda Rd.  
Rockville, MD 20852  
[www.nationaltarget.com](http://www.nationaltarget.com)

Law Enforcement Targets, Inc. 1-800-779-0182  
1621 E. Hennepin Dr. FAX 1-612-825-3043  
Minneapolis, MN 55414  
[www.letargets.com](http://www.letargets.com)

Qualification Targets 763-498-8228  
9800 Garden Lane  
Rogers, MN 55374-9774  
[www.targets.net](http://www.targets.net)

Savage Range Systems/Porta Target 1-800-370-0712  
100 Springdale Rd.  
Westfield, MA 01085  
[www.info@SavageRangeSystems.com](mailto:www.info@SavageRangeSystems.com)

Alco Target Company 888-258-4814  
2048 Central Avenue  
Duarte, CA 91010  
[www.alcotarget.net](http://www.alcotarget.net)

Plumfire Press Inc. 516-758-4063  
30-A Grove Avenue  
Patchogue, NY 11772-4112

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Action Target Inc.810-377-8033  
Box 636  
Provo, UT 84603-0636  
[www.actiontarget.com](http://www.actiontarget.com)

Agencies may wish to use standard "Bulls Eye" targets for rifle and sniper rifle qualification. These may be purchased or made by the agency.

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## Use of Reduced Size Targets

Due to the increase in the use of indoor ranges that do not have the length required to shoot the twenty-five (25) yard line, the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission was asked to address this issue. The issue was referred to the Firearms Revision committee by the Commission's Education and Training Committee.

The following conditions on the use of the reduced size targets were approved by both the Education & Training committee and the full North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission.

1. Use of the reduced size target can **ONLY** be used for In-Service Firearms training and **NOT** for Basic Law Enforcement Training.
2. The range must have a minimum distance of fifteen (15) yards.
3. If the range you are utilizing has a twenty-five (25) yard shooting line, use of the reduced size targets would not be allowed.
4. The reduced size target would only be used to simulate shooting at the twenty-five (25) yard line while actually shooting from the fifteen (15) yard line.
5. Shooters would be required to shoot a full size target on all stages except the twenty-five (25) yard line stage, thus requiring each shooter to engage a regular target on all stages up to the twenty-five (25) yard line stage, and a reduced target from the fifteen (15) yard line to simulate the twenty-five (25) yard line stage.
6. The reduced size target would have a reduction rate of forty percent (40%) in the maximum height and width of the shooting area of the original target.

**EXAMPLE:** If the maximum height of the shooting area of your current target is 40" and the maximum width of the shooting area is 20", the new target would have a maximum height of 24" and width of 12".

To determine the correct dimensions, multiply the current height and width by .6 to determine the new reduced size when shooting from the fifteen (15) yard line.

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IN-SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAMS**

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## SUBCHAPTER 9E - IN-SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAMS

### SECTION .0100 - LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S IN-SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM

#### 12 NCAC 09E .0101 PURPOSE

In order to ensure a minimum level of proficiency in specific topical areas for law enforcement officers serving the governmental agencies within the state, the Commission establishes the law enforcement officers' annual in-service training program.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17C-6; 17C-10;  
Eff. July 1, 1989.*

#### 12 NCAC 09E .0102 TOPICAL AREAS

The following topical areas are hereby established as minimum topics to be included in the law enforcement officers' annual in-service training program:

- (1) Firearms Training and Qualification.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17C-6; 17C-10;  
Eff. July 1, 1989.*

#### 12 NCAC 09E .0103 DEPARTMENT HEAD RESPONSIBILITIES

The Department head is responsible for ensuring that the annual in-service firearms training is conducted according to minimum specifications as outlined in Rules 9E .0105 and 9E .0106. In addition, the Department head or designated representative:

- (1) shall review departmental policies regarding the use of force during the agency's annual in-service firearms training program. The Department head or designated representative shall certify that this review has been completed by submitting a commission-approved form to the Criminal Justice Standards Division; and
- (2) shall report to the Criminal Justice Standards Division once each calendar year a roster of all law enforcement officers who fail to successfully complete the annual in-services firearms training and qualification and shall certify that all law enforcement officers in the agency not listed did successfully complete the training. This roster shall reflect the annual in-service firearms training and qualification status of all law enforcement officers employed by the agency as of December 31 of each calendar year and shall be received by the Criminal Justice Standards Division no later than the following January 15th; and
- (3) shall maintain in each officer's file documentation on a commission-approved form that the officer has completed the minimum annual in-service firearms training requirement; and
- (4) shall, where the officer fails to successfully qualify with any of the weapons specified in Rule 9E .0106(a) and (b), prohibit access to such weapon(s) until such time as the officer obtains qualification; and
- (5) shall, where the officer fails to successfully qualify with any of the weapons specified in Rule 9E .0106(d), prohibit the possession of such weapon(s)

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while on duty or when acting in the discharge of that agency's official duties, and shall deny the officer authorization to carry such weapon(s) concealed when off-duty, except when the officer is on his own premises; and

- (6) shall, where the officer has access to any specialized or tactical weapon(s) not specifically covered in 12 NCAC 9E Rule .0106(a) and (b), use normally accepted practices and procedures to ensure that officers authorized to use such weapon(s) are qualified. Where the officer fails to qualify, the agency head or designated representative shall restrict access to such weapon(s).

NOTE: Although not presently required by these Rules, the Commission recommends, supports and encourages the Department heads of law enforcement agencies to provide annual in-service training to all officers above and beyond that required in these Rules.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17C-6; 17C-10;  
Eff. July 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. January 1, 1995.*

## 12 NCAC 09E .0104 INSTRUCTORS

The following requirements and responsibilities are hereby established for instructors who conduct the law enforcement officers' annual in-service training program for firearms training and qualification:

- (1) The instructor shall hold "Specific Instructor Certification - Firearms" issued by the Commission.
- (2) The instructor shall deliver the training consistent with the minimum specifications as established in 12 NCAC 9E Rules .0105 and .0106.
- (3) The instructor shall report the successful or unsuccessful completion of training for each officer to the Department head. Such reporting shall be on a commission-approved form.
- (4) Where the officer fails to successfully qualify with any weapon, the instructor shall inform the officer that the officer did not qualify and the instructor shall deliver a commission-approved form to the officer which shall be signed by the officer. This form shall instruct the officer not to use the weapon and shall require the officer to notify the Department head or designated representative within 24 hours of the failure to qualify. The instructor shall personally deliver this form or send the form by certified mail to the Department head or designated representative within 72 hours of the failure to qualify.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17C-6; 17C-10;  
Eff. July 1, 1989.*

## 12 NCAC 09E .0105 MINIMUM TRAINING SPECIFICATIONS

At a minimum, the following specifications shall be incorporated in the agency's annual in-service firearms training and qualification course:

- (1) Use of Force: review the authority to use deadly force [G.S. 15A-401(d)(2)] including the relevant case law and materials.
- (2) Safety:
  - (a) range rules and regulations;

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- (b) handling of a firearm;
- (c) malfunctions.
- (3) Review of Basic Marksmanship Fundamentals:
  - (a) grip, stance, breath control and trigger squeeze;
  - (b) sight and alignment/sight picture;
  - (c) nomenclature.
- (4) The "Specialized Firearms Instructor Training Manual" as published by the North Carolina Justice Academy is to be applied as a minimum guide for conducting the annual in-service firearms training program. Copies of this publication may be inspected at the agency:

Criminal Justice Standards Division  
North Carolina Department of Justice  
114 West Edenton Street  
Old Education Building  
Post Office Drawer 149  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17C-6; 17C-10;  
Eff. July 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. November 1, 1998.*

## **12 NCAC 09E .0106 IN-SERVICE FIREARMS QUALIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS**

- (a) All certified law enforcement officers shall be required to qualify with their individual and department-approved service handgun(s) a minimum of once each calendar year. For the purpose of this specification, service handgun shall include any semi-automatic pistol or revolver. In addition to the requirements specified in Rule .0105 of this Subchapter, the course of fire shall not be less stringent than the "Basic Training -- Law Enforcement Officers" course requirements for firearms qualification.
- (b) All certified law enforcement officers who are issued or authorized to use a shotgun, rifle or automatic weapon shall be required to qualify with each weapon respectively a minimum of once each calendar year.
- (c) Qualification shall be completed with duty equipment and duty ammunition for all weapons.
- (d) All certified law enforcement officers who are authorized to carry an off-duty handgun(s) shall be required to qualify with each such handgun consistent with the specifications as outlined in Rules .0105 and .0106(a) and (g) of this Section.
- (e) To satisfy the minimum training requirements for all in-service firearms qualifications, an officer shall attain a minimum of 70 percent accuracy with each weapon.
- (f) Qualification must be achieved at least once in no more than three attempts in a single day for all courses of fire and for all weapons for which qualification is required. Individuals not qualifying in a single day shall be deemed as having failed and 12 NCAC 9E Rule .0103(4) and (5) shall apply.
- (g) The In-Service Firearms Qualification Manual as published by the North Carolina Justice Academy is to be applied as a minimum guide for conducting the annual in-service firearms qualification. Copies of this publication may be inspected at the office of the agency:

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Post Office Drawer 149  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602  
and may be obtained at cost from the Academy at the following address:  
North Carolina Justice Academy  
Post Office Drawer 99  
Salemberg, North Carolina 28385

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17C-6; 17C-10;  
Eff. July 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. November 1, 1998; March 1, 1992.*

## **12 NCAC 09E .0107 FAILURE TO QUALIFY**

(a) Where an officer is employed with an agency that establishes a higher standard for annual in-service firearms training than the minimum specified in this Subchapter and the officer has failed to meet the requirements of the employing agency as of December 31 of each calendar year, such officer shall be required to meet the requirements of this Rule and the higher standard of the employing agency for continued employment. Prior to transfer to another agency, the officer shall be required to meet the requirements of this Rule and the requirements of the subsequent agency, if the subsequent agency requires a higher standard for annual in-service firearms training than the minimum required in 12 NCAC 9E .0105 and .0106.

(b) Upon notification that an officer has failed to meet the requirements for in-service firearms training and qualification as specified in Rule .0106(a) of this Subchapter, the law enforcement officer's certification shall be suspended.

(c) The suspended officer may request authorization for limited enrollment in a presentation of the "Basic Law Enforcement Training" course to complete the minimum 40 hour firearms training topic.

(d) Such enrollment and successful completion must occur within the 12 month period following suspension of law enforcement officer certification.

(e) Failure to enroll and successfully complete the minimum 40 hour firearms training topic in a "Basic Law Enforcement Training" course within the prescribed 12 month period will subject the officer to training evaluation as specified in 12 NCAC 9B .0403.

(f) No officer suspended under Paragraph (b) of this Rule may work as a certified law enforcement officer until:

- (1) the department head or designated representative forwards to the Commission documentary evidence verifying that the officer has complied with the requirements for reinstatement of certification as specified in this subsection; and
- (2) the department head or designated representative and the officer receive from the Commission documentation that the Commission has terminated the suspension and reissued law enforcement certification to the suspended officer.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17C-6; 17C-10;  
Eff. July 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. August 1, 2000; March 1, 1992; March 1, 1990.*

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**IN-SERVICE COMPLIANCE REPORT  
LAW ENFORCEMENT**

[12 NCAC 9E .0103(1) AND (2)]

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Each year, **BETWEEN DECEMBER 31 AND JANUARY 15, THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED** to the above address. Every certified officer shall qualify (both day and night course) during the calendar year. All certified officers shall be included whether they are full-time, part-time, paid, unpaid, regular, reserve, auxiliary, honorary, or special. (Calendar year runs from January 1 through December 31 of every year.) **PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT.** If you need any assistance, please call the phone number listed above.

AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

I, as department head, do submit to the Commission this report of compliance for all certified officers, except those listed below, as having successfully completed this agency=s in-service training program consistent with the minimum requirements established by the Commission. Further, I do stipulate that a review of departmental policies regarding the use of force was conducted. Listed below are those certified officers who failed to successfully complete the required in-service training. All others did successfully complete the required in-service training and evidence of such successful completion is maintained in each officer=s certification file for inspection by the Commission.

**FULL NAME OF OFFICER(S) WHO FAILED TO QUALIFY**

**SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER**

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Signature of Executive Officer or  
Registered Authorized Representative

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Date

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## **SECTION .2000 - IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR JUSTICE OFFICERS**

### **12 NCAC 10B .2001 PURPOSE**

In order to ensure a minimum level of proficiency in specific topical areas for justice officers serving the sheriffs' offices within the state the Commission establishes the Justice Officers' In-Service Training Program.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17E-4; 17E-7;  
Eff. January 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. February 1, 1998; January 1, 1990.*

### **12 NCAC 10B .2002 TOPICAL AREAS**

The Firearms Training and Requalification for deputy sheriffs and detention officers shall be included in the Justice Officers' In-Service Training Program.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17E-4; 17E-7;  
Eff. January 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. January 1, 1990;  
Temporary Amendment Eff. March 1, 1998;  
Amended Eff. August 1, 1998.*

## **SECTION .2100 - DEPUTY SHERIFF' AND DETENTION OFFICERS' FIREARMS IN-SERVICE TRAINING REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM**

### **12 NCAC 10B .2101 SHERIFF RESPONSIBILITIES**

The sheriff shall ensure that the deputy sheriffs' and detention officers' In-Service Firearms Training and Requalification Program is conducted according to minimum specifications as outlined in 12 NCAC 10B .2103 and .2104. In addition, the sheriff:

- (1) shall maintain copies of each course of fire adopted for use by his department and shall make those courses available for review by the Commission's representative upon request; and
- (2) shall maintain in each officer's personnel file a copy of a commission-approved Firearms Requalification Record Form which verifies that the officer did, or did not, successfully complete the minimum annual in-service firearms training requirement; and

- (3) may, where the officer fails to qualify with any of the weapons specified in 12 NCAC 10B .2104 prohibit access or possession of such weapon while on duty or when acting in the discharge of that agency's official duties and may deny the officer authorization to carry such weapons concealed when off-duty, except when the officer is on his/her own premises; and
- (4) shall report to the Division once each calendar year a roster of all deputy sheriffs and detention officers who fail to successfully complete the annual in-service firearms training and qualification and shall certify that all deputy sheriffs and detention officers required to qualify pursuant to 12 NCAC 10B .2104 who are not listed did successfully complete the training. This roster shall reflect the annual in-service firearms training and qualification status of all deputy sheriffs and detention officers employed by the agency as of December 31st of each calendar year and shall be received by the Division no later than the following January 15th; and
- (5) shall report to the Division not later than January 15th of each calendar year a list of those deputy sheriffs and detention officers employed by the agency who are not authorized by the sheriff to carry a weapon; and
- (6) may ensure that once each year all officers receive a review of departmental policies regarding the use of force. It is recommended by the Commission that all officers be tested on departmental policies.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17E-4; 17E-7;  
Eff. January 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. January 1, 1995; January 1, 1993;  
Temporary Amendment Eff. March 1, 1998;  
Amended Eff. August 1, 1998.*

## **12 NCAC 10B .2102 INSTRUCTORS**

The following requirements and responsibilities are hereby established for instructors who conduct the Deputy Sheriffs' and Detention Officers' In-Service Firearms Training and Requalification Program:

- (1) The instructor shall hold "Specific Instructor Certification-Firearms" issued by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission;
- (2) The instructor shall deliver the training consistent with the minimum specifications as established by 12 NCAC 10B .2103 and .2104; and shall be present at all times during which said training is being conducted to personally provide all supervision, classroom training, range training, and scoring for certification purposes;

- (3) The instructor shall document the successful or unsuccessful completion of training for each officer on a commission-approved Firearms Requalification Record Form and forward such form to each officer's sheriff;
- (4) The instructor shall submit to the sheriff copies of all courses of fire used for qualification of deputy sheriffs and detention officers in compliance with 12 NCAC 10B .2101(1).

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17E-4; 17E-7;  
Eff. January 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. January 1, 1995; January 1, 1993; January 1, 1991;  
Temporary Amendment Eff. March 1, 1998;  
Amended Eff. August 1, 1998.*

## **12 NCAC 10B .2103 MINIMUM TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

(a) In order to qualify for commission approval the In-Service Firearms Training and Requalification Program shall include, at a minimum, the following specified topics:

- (1) Use of Force:
    - (A) review the authority to use deadly force [G.S. 15A-401(d)(2)] including relevant case law and materials.
  - (2) Safety:
    - (A) Range rules and regulations;
    - (B) Handling of a firearm;
    - (C) Malfunctions.
  - (3) Review of Basic Marksmanship Fundamentals:
    - (A) Grip, stance, breath control and trigger squeeze;
    - (B) Sight and alignment/sight picture;
    - (C) Nomenclature.
  - (4) Operation and Maintenance of all authorized weapons.
- (b) The Commission recommends that students be tested on the authority to use deadly force.
- (c) The Specialized Firearms Instructor shall teach the same training objectives for the topical areas listed in this Rule as specified in the Specialized Firearms Instructor Training Manual published by the North Carolina Justice Academy which is hereby incorporated by reference and shall automatically include any later amendments and editions of the referenced materials as the approved source for the above mandated topical areas. Copies of this publication may be obtained from the North Carolina Justice Academy, Post Office Drawer 99, Salemburg, North Carolina 28385. There is no cost per manual at the time of adoption of this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17E-4; 17E-7;*

*Eff. January 1, 1989;*  
*Amended Eff. January 1, 1993.*

## **12 NCAC 10B .2104 IN-SERVICE FIREARMS REQUALIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS**

- (a) All deputy sheriffs and detention officers who are authorized by the sheriff to carry a handgun shall qualify a minimum of once each year with their individual and department-approved service handgun. The course of fire shall not be less stringent than the "Basic Law Enforcement Training Course" requirements for firearms qualification.
- (b) All deputy sheriffs and detention officers who are issued, or otherwise authorized by the sheriff to carry a shotgun, rifle, or automatic weapon shall be required to qualify with each weapon respectively a minimum of once each year. The course of fire shall not be less stringent than the "Basic Law Enforcement Training Course" requirements for firearms qualification.
- (c) Qualifications conducted pursuant to Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Rule shall be completed with duty equipment and duty ammunition or duty-type ammunition meeting the specifications of the duty ammunition as to type projectile, weight and velocity.
- (d) All deputy sheriffs and detention officers who are authorized by the sheriff to carry off duty handguns shall qualify with their off duty handgun a minimum of once each year pursuant to 12 NCAC 10B .2103 and .2104(a) and (b) with each handgun the officer carries off duty using ammunition approved by the sheriff.
- (e) All deputy sheriffs and detention officers who are issued or have access to any weapons not stated in this Rule must qualify with these weapons once each year using ammunition approved by the sheriff.
- (f) In cases where reduced-sized targets are used to simulate actual distances, a modified course of fire may be used.
- (g) To satisfy the minimum training requirements for all in-service firearms re-qualifications, a deputy sheriff or detention officer shall attain a minimum qualification score of 70 percent accuracy with each weapon once in three attempts with no more than three attempts on each course of fire per day.
- (h) The "In-Service Firearms Qualification Manual" as published by the North Carolina Justice Academy is hereby incorporated by reference, and shall automatically include any later amendments or editions of the referenced materials to apply as a minimum guide for conducting the annual in-service firearms qualification. Copies of the publication may be obtained from the North Carolina Justice Academy, Post Office Drawer 99, Salemburg, North Carolina 28385. There is no cost per manual at the time of adoption of this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17E-4; 17E-7;*  
*Eff. January 1, 1989;*  
*Amended Eff. January 1, 1994; January 1, 1993; January 1, 1992; January 1, 1991;*

*Temporary Amendment Eff. March 1, 1998;  
Amended Eff. August 1, 2002; August 1, 1998.*

**12 NCAC 10B .2105 FAILURE TO QUALIFY**

(a) Deputy sheriffs and detention officers who fail to qualify pursuant to Rule .2104 of this Section shall immediately surrender their weapons to the sheriff, upon his request, and shall have 30 days in which to obtain the qualification score required in 12 NCAC 10B .2104.

(b) Failure to qualify within the time period allowed in 12 NCAC 10B .2105(a) shall result in the summary suspension of the deputy sheriff's or detention officer's certification by the Commission.

(c) No deputy sheriff or detention officer summarily suspended under Paragraph (b) of this Rule and in compliance with 12 NCAC 10B .0206(a)(3) may work as a certified justice officer until:

- (1) the sheriff forwards to the Commission documentary evidence verifying that the officer has complied with the requirements of 12 NCAC 10B .2103 and .2104; and
- (2) the deputy sheriff or detention officer and the sheriff receive from the Commission documentation that the Commission has terminated the suspension and reinstated the certification to the deputy sheriff or detention officer.

(d) Any deputy sheriff or detention officer previously unauthorized to carry a weapon but whose status changed to "authorized to carry a weapon," must comply with the provisions set out in 12 NCAC 10B .2103 and .2104; and may not carry a firearm until:

- (1) the sheriff forwards to the Commission documentary evidence verifying that the officer has complied with the requirements of 12 NCAC 10B .2103 and .2104; and
- (2) the deputy sheriff or detention officer and the sheriff receive from the Commission documentation that the Commission has amended the officer's status to "authorized to carry a weapon" and all certification files reflect the same.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 17E-4; 17E-7;  
Eff. January 1, 1989;  
Amended Eff. March 1, 1995; January 1, 1995; January 1, 1993; January 1, 1990;  
Temporary Amendment Eff. March 1, 1998;  
Amended Eff. August 1, 1998.*



# **IN-SERVICE FIREARMS QUALIFICATION COURSES OF FIRE**

**\*The following courses of fire are simply recommended courses, as they comply with the requirements of the NC Administrative Code and are an attempt to keep instructors from being forced to 'reinvent the wheel' as it were. Instructors are still welcome to develop their own in-service courses of fire as long as their handgun courses are at least as stringent as the BLET courses of fire, both day and night.\***

## **BLET DAY HANDGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE - 50 ROUNDS**

### **Stage 1: Three (3) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

#### **Load and holster**

- 1. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds using one hand only. Keep the target covered until given the command to holster.**
- 2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds using one hand only. Keep the target covered until given the command to holster.**
- 3. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds using one hand only. Holster an empty weapon unless told to reload.**

**NOTE: All shooting is with the use of a single hand, weapon at shoulder level.**

### **Stage 2: Seven (7) Yard Line (20 Rounds)**

#### **Load and holster**

- 1. Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, keep the target covered, on command fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, keep the target covered, on command fire 1 round, reload and fire two rounds with the support hand only in 15 seconds. (Clear and holster unless told to reload.)**

**NOTE: Semiautomatic users must load the first magazine with six rounds and the second magazine with two rounds. This will prompt an emergency reload (Slide locked to the rear.)**

#### **Load and holster**

- 1. Draw and fire 12 rounds in:  
Revolvers - 25 seconds**

**Semi-automatic - 20 seconds with a required magazine change.**

**Stage 3: Fifteen (15) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

**Load and Holster**

**Draw and fire 6 rounds, go to the kneeling position and fire an additional 6 rounds. Revolver users have 35 seconds, semiautomatic users have 30 seconds with a required magazine change in the kneeling position. Magazines may be loaded anyway the student desires as long as there are at least six rounds in the first magazine.**

**Stage 4: Twenty-five (25) yard Line (12 Rounds)**

**NOTE: All firing is done from behind the barricade. The weapon cannot extend beyond the barricade.**

**Load and holster**

**Draw and fire 6 rounds from a prone barricade position, stand and fire 6 rounds from a standing barricade position in 60 seconds. Semiautomatic pistol users are required to make a magazine change.**

**Scoring: 50 rounds scored using a target of choice.**

**Administration: In the event that not all rounds are fired from a given firing point, the firer CANNOT fire additional rounds at another yard line in an attempt to "catch up."**

## **ALTERNATE DAY HANDGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE - 50 ROUNDS**

### **Stage 1     Three (3) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

**Load and holster**

- 1.     Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds (student keeps weapon aimed at target (covered) until instructor advises to holster)**
- 2.     Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds (keep target covered) holster on command.**
- 3.     Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds. (Clear weapon when empty and holster.)**

**NOTE: All firing from the three-yard line will be from the Weaver position or the Point-Shoulder position. Weapon will be at eye level.**

### **Stage 2     Seven (7) Yard Line (20 Rounds)**

**Load and holster**

- 1.     Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 1 round, reload with 2 rounds and fire 2 rounds with the support hand in 15 seconds. (Clear weapon when empty and holster.) (Semi-automatic users must change magazines in order to fire the last two rounds with the weak hand.) SUPPORT HAND FIRING WILL BE ONE HAND ONLY.**

**Load and holster**

- 2.     Draw and fire 12 rounds in 25 seconds. (Semi-automatic users must make one magazine change.)**

### **Stage 3     Fifteen (15) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

**Load and holster**

**Draw and fire 6 rounds from the standing position, go to the kneeling position, and fire 6 rounds from the kneeling position in 35 seconds. (Clear weapon when empty and holster.) (Semi-automatic users must make one magazine change.)**

**Stage 4     Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

**Load and holster**

**Draw and fire 3 rounds from the prone barricade position, move to the kneeling barricade position and fire 3 rounds. Move to a standing left side barricade position and fire 3 rounds, then move to a standing right-side barricade position and fire 3 rounds. All firing must be done in 60 seconds. The student may shoot with either hand (strong or support) at any of the positions. Once all rounds are fired, weapon should be cleared and holstered. (Semi-automatic users must make one magazine change.)**

**NOTE: All firing is two-hand except support hand at 7-yard line will be fired one handed.**

**Scoring: 50 rounds are scored by use of the B-27 target with the cumulative total multiplied by .4 to determine score. Total possible - 100. Seventy percent (70%) is required to qualify (175 points).**

**Qualification: Students must score 70% twice in three attempts using service or duty ammunition and service or duty equipment.**

**Administration: Students will fire the required number of rounds from each yard line. In the event that not all rounds are fired from a given firing point, the student CANNOT fire additional rounds at another yard line in an attempt to "catch up."**

## FBI PISTOL QUALIFICATION COURSE - 50 ROUNDS

### Basic Rules:

1. Shooters may change magazines during any phase only with the weapon is empty or has one round in the chamber. The shooter will lose any rounds left in a magazine dropped during a phase of fire.
2. Between phases, the shooter is free to inspect the magazine in the weapon for remaining rounds. The shooter will not replace or top off the magazine unless it is completely empty.
3. At the conclusion of each phase, weapons will be decocked and holstered. The shooter may then refill any empty magazines dropped during the phase.
4. During firing, shooters will not decock when changing position at the 25-yard line or after a magazine change.

### COURSES OF FIRE

#### Stage 1 Fifty (50) to Twenty-Five (25) Yard Line - (18 Rounds)

On command, move from the 50 yard line to the 25 yard line and fire 6 rounds prone barricade, 6 rounds over top of barricade and 6 rounds weak-hand kneeling in 55 seconds.

#### Stage 2 Twenty-five (25) to Fifteen (15) Yard Line - (10 Rounds)

1. On command, move from the 25 yard line to the 15 yard line and fire 2 rounds in 6 seconds. Decock if appropriate and stay on ready.
2. On command, fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, decock and come to ready position.
3. On command, fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, decock and come to ready position.
4. On command, fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, decock and come to ready position.

5. On command, fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, decock and holster.

**Stage 3 Fifteen (15) to Seven (7) Yard Line - (12 Rounds)**

On command, move from the 15 yard line to the 7 yard line and fire 12 rounds in 15 seconds.

**Stage 4 Seven (7) to Five (5) Yard Line - (10 Rounds)**

On command, move from the 7 yard line to the 5 yard line and fire 5 rounds strong hand only and 5 rounds support hand only in 15 seconds.

**Scoring:** 50 rounds scored according to type of target used.

## **TACTICAL 50 ROUND SEMIAUTOMATIC COURSE**

### **Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

- 1. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds, scan and holster.**
- 2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds, scan and holster.**
- 3. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds, scan and holster.**

### **Stage 2 Seven (7) Yard Line (8 Rounds)**

- 1. With the weapon in the ready position with a "stovepipe" round, fire 3 rounds in 4 seconds.**
- 2. With the weapon in the ready position with a "stovepipe" round, fire 3 rounds reload with a magazine 2 rounds and fire 2 rounds with the support hand in 20 seconds.**

### **Stage 3 Seven (7) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

- 1. With three magazines fully loaded, draw and fire 2 rounds, reload and fire 2 rounds, reload and fire 2 rounds in 15 seconds.**
- 2. With three magazines fully loaded, draw and fire 2 rounds, reload and fire 2 rounds, reload and fire 2 rounds in 15 seconds.**

### **Stage 4 Fifteen (15) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

- 1. With three magazines each loaded with 2 rounds each, fire 2 rounds, reload, fire 2 rounds, reload, fire 2 rounds in 20 seconds.**
- 2. With three magazines each loaded with 2 rounds each, fire 2 rounds, reload, fire 2 rounds, reload, fire 2 rounds in 20 seconds.**

### **Stage 5 Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

**With three magazines each loaded with 4 rounds and 1 dummy round (magazine should be loaded by someone else), draw and**



**fire 4 rounds standing barricade, 4 rounds kneeling barricade and 4 rounds prone barricade in 70 seconds.**

**\*If only two magazines are available for Stages 3 - 5, modify the number of rounds loaded and fired as well as a reduction in allowable time.**

**Scoring: 50 rounds scored according to target used.**

## **DAYTIME HANDGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE- 30 ROUNDS**

### **Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (4 Rounds)**

- 1. Fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds, holster on command.**
- 2. Fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds, holster on command.**

### **Stage 2 Seven (7) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

**Fire 10 rounds standing in 18 seconds.**

### **Stage 3 Fifteen (15) Yard Line (8 Rounds)**

**Fire 4 rounds standing, go to a kneeling position and fire 4 rounds kneeling in 24 seconds.**

### **Stage 4 Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (8 Rounds)**

**Fire 4 rounds prone barricade, move to a standing barricade position and fire 4 rounds in 25 seconds.**

**Scoring: Multiply numerical score by two, and then divide by three. An alternate method of scoring is multiply by .666 however, a perfect score using this method is a mathematical impossibility and not recommended.**

## **FIVE SHOT REVOLVER DAY COURSE - 50 ROUNDS**

### **Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (5 Rounds)**

**Load with 5 rounds and holster**

- 1. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds. Keep target covered until given the command to holster.**
- 2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds. Keep target covered until given the command to holster.**
- 3. Draw and fire 1 round, in 2 seconds.**

### **Stage 2 Seven (7) Yard Line (20 Rounds)**

**Load with 5 rounds and holster**

**Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, on a second command to fire, fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds.**

**Load with 5 rounds and holster.**

**Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, on a second command to fire, fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds.**

**Load with 5 rounds and holster, also load any reloading device**

**Draw and fire 10 rounds in 25 seconds.**

### **Stage 3 Fifteen (15) Yard Line (15 Rounds)**

**Load with 5 rounds and load any reloading device**

**Draw and fire 5 rounds standing, go to a kneeling position, reload and fire 5 rounds kneeling in 35 seconds.**

**Reload with 5 rounds.**

**Draw and fire 3 rounds in 7 seconds, on a second command to fire, fire 2 rounds in 4 seconds.**

**Stage 4**    **Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

**Load with 5 rounds and load any reloading device**

**Draw and fire 5 rounds from the prone position, reload and fire 5 rounds from the standing barricade position in 45 seconds.**

**Scoring: 50 rounds scored according to target used.**

### **5 shot revolver 30 round course of fire (day course)**

**3 yard line-** Kneel, draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds with shooting hand only (re-holster on command)

Kneel, draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds with shooting hand only (do NOT re-holster)

On command switch to support hand and fire 1 round in 2 seconds support hand only

**7 yard line-** Draw and fire 2 rounds kneeling in 5 seconds

Draw and fire 2 rounds kneeling, switch to support hand and fire 1 round support hand only in 8 seconds

**15 yard line-** Draw and fire 5 rounds kneeling, reload and fire 5 rounds standing in 30 seconds

**25 yard line-** Draw and fire 5 rounds prone, reload and fire 5 rounds standing in 60 seconds

### **5 shot revolver 30 round course of fire (night course)**

**3 yard line-** Total darkness

Kneel, draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds with shooting hand only (re-holster on command)

Kneel, draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds with shooting hand only (do NOT re-holster)

On command switch to support hand and fire 1 round in 2 seconds support hand only

**7 yard line-** Blue lights-Flashlight optional

Draw and fire 2 rounds kneeling in 5 seconds

Draw and fire 2 rounds kneeling, switch to support hand and fire 1 round support hand only in 8 seconds

**10 yard line-** Blue lights, low beam headlights

Kneel, draw and fire 3 rounds kneeling in 5 seconds keeping the target covered, then fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds.

Draw and fire 5 rounds kneeling in 10 seconds

**15 yard line-** All available lighting

Kneel, draw and fire 5 rounds kneeling, reload and fire 5 rounds standing in 60 seconds

**Scoring:** Multiply numerical score by two and then divide by three.

## SWAT PISTOL COURSE

### Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (6 Rounds)

1. From the ready gun position, fire 1 shot in .5 sec.
2. From the ready gun position, fire 1 shot in .5 sec.
3. From the ready gun position, fire 1 shot in .5 sec.
4. From the ready gun position, fire 1 shot in .5 sec.
5. From the ready gun position, fire 2 shots in .75 sec.

### Stage 2 Seven (7) Yard Line (20 Rounds)

1. From the ready gun position, fire 2 shots in .75 sec.
2. From the ready gun position, fire 2 shots in .75 sec.
3. From the ready gun position, fire 2 shots in .75 sec.
4. From the draw, fire 1 shot in 1.5 sec.
5. From the draw, fire 1 shot in 1.5 sec.
6. From the ready gun position, fire 2 shots to the body and 1 shot to the head in 1.25 sec.
7. From the ready gun position, fire 2 shots to the body and 1 shot to the head in 1.25 sec.
8. From the draw, fire 2 shots to the body and 1 shot to the head in 2.25 sec.
9. From the draw, fire 2 shots to the body and 1 shot to the head in 2.25 sec.

### Stage 3 Fifteen (15) Yard Line (12 Rounds)

1. From the ready gun position, fire 1 shot in 1 sec.
2. From the ready gun position, fire 1 shot in 1 sec.
3. From the ready gun position, fire 2 shots in 1.5 sec.
4. From the ready gun position, fire 2 shots in 1.5 sec.
5. From the draw, fire 1 shot in 2 sec.
6. From the draw, fire 1 shot in 2 sec.
7. From the draw, fire 1 shot in 2.5 sec. from the kneeling position.
8. From the draw, fire 1 shot in 2.5 sec. from the kneeling position.
9. From the draw, fire 2 shots in 3 sec. from the kneeling position.

### Stage 4 Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (12 Rounds)

1. From the ready gun position, fire 3 shots in 6 seconds from the prone position.
2. From the ready gun position, fire 3 shots in 6 seconds from the prone position.
3. From the ready gun position, fire 3 shots in 5 seconds from the standing barricade position.
4. From the ready gun position, fire 3 shots in 5 seconds from the standing barricade position.

**Scoring:** Based on target used. Head shots from the seven yard line will have maximum point value if B-27 targets are used.

## OPTIONAL SEMIAUTOMATIC PISTOL- DAY COURSE

### Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (6 Rounds)

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
3. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, scan, holster.

### Stage 2 Seven (7) Yard Line (16 Rounds)

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds, scan, holster.
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds, scan, holster.
3. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds, scan, holster.
4. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds, scan, holster.
5. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds, scan, holster.
6. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds, scan, holster.
7. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds, scan, holster.
8. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds, scan, holster.

### Stage 3 Ten (10) Yard Line (8 Rounds)

1. Draw and fire 4 rounds standing, go to a kneeling position fire 2 rounds, reload and fire 2 rounds in 30 seconds.

### Stage 4 Fifteen (15) Yard Line (10 Rounds)

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 7 seconds, scan, holster.
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 7 seconds, scan, holster.
3. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 7 seconds, scan, holster.



4. Draw and fire 4 rounds kneeling in 15 seconds.

**Stage 5** **Twenty-Five (25) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

1. Fire 5 rounds barricade position (standing or kneeling) and 5 rounds prone barricade in 40 seconds.

**Scoring:** 50 rounds scored according to target used.

## **CONTROLLED PAIRS HANDGUN COURSE**

### **Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (4 Rounds)**

**Draw and fire two rounds in three seconds  
Draw and fire two rounds in three seconds**

### **Stage 2 Seven (7) Yard Line (20 Rounds)**

**Load magazine to capacity. Students will reload when necessary prior to a shooting sequence.**

**Draw and fire two rounds in five seconds  
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Draw and fire two rounds in five seconds  
Draw and fire two rounds in five seconds  
Draw and fire two rounds in five seconds**

### **Stage 3 Fifteen (15) Yard line (14 Rounds)**

**Load magazines to capacity. Students will reload when necessary prior to a shooting sequence.**

**Draw and fire two rounds in six seconds  
Draw and fire two rounds in six seconds  
Draw and fire two rounds in six seconds  
Draw and fire two rounds in six seconds  
Draw and fire two rounds in seven seconds from a kneeling position  
Draw and fire two rounds in seven seconds from a kneeling position  
Draw and fire two rounds in seven seconds from a kneeling position**

### **Stage 4 Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

**With the gun at a ready gun position**

**Fire two rounds in seven seconds from the strong side  
barricade**

**Fire two rounds in seven seconds from the strong side  
barricade**

**Fire two rounds in seven seconds from the support side  
barricade**

**Fire two rounds in seven seconds from the support side  
barricade**

**Fire two rounds in ten seconds from the prone barricade  
position**

**Fire two rounds in ten seconds from the prone barricade  
position**

**Scoring: Score according to target. Some suggested scoring techniques  
would be as follows:**

**Using a B-27 or other ring value target, score according to ring  
value.**

**Example: Using a B-27 scoring rings would be 10, 9, 8, 7, and 2  
for other hits in the black. Possible score of 500 pts x .2 for a  
percentile score.**

**If using an IALEFI Q, score two points for each hit inside the  
circles and one point for any hit outside the circle.**

## **ALTERNATE HANDGUN QUALIFICATION NIGHT COURSE - 50 ROUNDS**

### **Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (6 Rounds) - Total Darkness**

**Load and holster**

- 1. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds (student keeps weapon aimed at target (covered) until instructor advises to holster.)**
- 2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds (keep target covered) holster on command.**
- 3. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds (clear weapon when empty and holster).**

### **Stage 2 Five (5) Yard Line (8 Rounds) - Flashlight required for first six rounds**

**Load and holster**

**Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 1 round, reload with 2 rounds and fire 2 rounds with the support hand in 15 seconds. (Clear weapon when empty and holster.) (Semi-automatic users must change magazines in order to fire the last two rounds with the support hand.) SUPPORT HAND FIRING WILL BE ONE HAND ONLY.**

### **Stage 3 Seven (7) Yard Line (12 Rounds) - Vehicle Blue Lights Only**

**Load and holster**

**Draw and fire 12 rounds in 25 seconds. (Clear weapon when empty and holster.) (Semi-automatic users must make one magazine change.)**

### **Stage 4 Ten (10) Yard Line (12 Rounds) - Vehicle Blue Lights and Headlights (low beam only)**

**Load and holster**

1. Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 1 round in 1 second.

Load and holster

2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds from a kneeling position. (Student holsters and stands.)
3. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds from a kneeling position. (Student holsters and stands.)
4. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds from a kneeling position. (Clear weapon when empty, holster and stands.)

Stage 5

**Fifteen (15) Yard Line (12 Rounds) - Vehicle Headlights (bright), blue lights and/or all available light**

Load and holster

Draw and fire 6 rounds from the standing position, go to the kneeling position, and fire 6 rounds from the kneeling position in 35 seconds. Clear weapon and holster. Semi-automatic users must make one magazine change. All reloading is done in the kneeling position.

NOTE: All firing is two-hand except support hand at 5-yard line will be one-handed. Once a student fires all rounds he/she should automatically clear and holster the weapon. All loading should be done in total darkness. Headlights, blue lights, etc., should be turned on only after students have loaded, and turned off immediately upon completion of fire at each stage.

**Scoring:** 50 rounds are scored by use of the B-27 Target with the cumulative total multiplied by .4 to determine score. Total possible - 100. Seventy percent (70%) is required to qualify (175 points).

**Qualification:** Students must score 70% twice in three attempts using service or duty ammunition and service or duty equipment.

**Administration:** Students will fire the required number of rounds from each yard line. In the event that not all rounds are fired from a given point, the student **CANNOT** fire additional rounds from another yard line in an attempt to "catch up."

## **BLET NIGHT HANDGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE - 50 ROUNDS**

### **Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (6 Rounds) - Total Darkness**

**Load and holster**

- 1. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds. Keep the target covered until given the command to holster.**
- 2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds using one hand only. Keep the target covered until given the command to holster.**
- 3. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds using one hand only. Holster an empty weapon unless told to reload.**

**NOTE: All shooting is with the use of a single hand.**

### **Stage 2 Five (5) Yard Line (8 Rounds) - Flashlight required for first six rounds**

**Load and holster**

**Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 1 round, reload with 2 rounds and fire 2 rounds with the weak hand in 15 seconds. (Clear weapon when empty and holster.) (Semi-automatic users must change magazines in order to fire the last two rounds with the support hand.)  
SUPPORT HAND FIRING WILL BE ONE HAND ONLY.**

**NOTE: Semiautomatic users must load the first magazine with six rounds and the second magazine with two rounds. This will prompt an emergency reload (Slide locked to the rear).**

### **Stage 3 Seven (7) Yard Line (12 Rounds) - Vehicle Blue Lights Only**

**Load and holster**

**Draw and fire 12 rounds in:  
Revolvers - 25 seconds.**

change.                    **Semiautomatics - 20 seconds with a required magazine  
(Magazines may be loaded in any configuration.)**

**Stage 4                    Ten (10) Yard Line (12 Rounds) - Vehicle Blue Lights and  
Headlights (low beam only)**

**Load and holster**

- 1. Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, keep target covered, on command fire 1 round in 1 second.**

**Load and holster**

- 2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds from a kneeling position. (Student holsters and stands.)**
- 3. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds from a kneeling position. (Student holsters and stands.)**
- 4. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 5 seconds from a kneeling position. (Clear weapon when empty, holster and stands.)**

**Stage 5                    Fifteen (15) Yard Line (12 Rounds) - Vehicle Headlights  
(bright), Blue Lights and/or All Available Light**

**Load and holster**

**Draw and fire 6 rounds from the standing position, go to the kneeling position, and fire 6 rounds from the kneeling position. Revolver users will have 35 seconds, semiautomatic users will have 30 seconds with a required magazine change. All reloading will be done in the kneeling position. Clear weapon and holster.**

**Scoring:                    50 rounds are scored by use of the B-27 Target with the cumulative total multiplied by .4 to determine score. Total possible - 250 points = 100%. Seventy percent (70%) is required to qualify (175 points).**

**Qualification: Students must score 70% twice in three attempts using service or duty ammunition and service or duty equipment. Practice rounds cannot be used for qualification. Students must be notified as to which are the actual qualification attempts.**

**Administration: Students will fire the required number of rounds from each yard line. In the event that not all rounds are fired from a given point, the student CANNOT fire additional rounds from another yard line in an attempt to “catch up.”**



## ALTERNATE SEMIAUTOMATIC PISTOL - NIGHT COURSE

### Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (6 Rounds) - Total Darkness

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
3. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.

### Stage 2 Five (5) Yard Line (6 Rounds) - Flashlights Optional

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
3. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.

### Stage 3 Seven (7) Yard Line (12 Rounds) - Bluelight Only

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
3. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
4. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
5. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.
6. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 3 seconds, scan, holster.

**Stage 4**     **Ten (10) Yard Line (6 Rounds) Bluelight and Flashlight**

Draw and fire 4 rounds standing, go to a kneeling position, reload and fire 2 rounds in 30 seconds.

**Stage 5**     **Fifteen (15) Yard Line (10 Rounds) Bluelights and Headlights**

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 7 seconds.
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 7 seconds.
3. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 7 seconds.
4. Draw and fire 4 rounds kneeling in 15 seconds.

**Stage 6**     **Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (10 Rounds) All Available Light**

1. Draw and fire 5 rounds kneeling in 20 seconds.
2. Draw and fire 5 rounds kneeling in 20 seconds.

**Scoring:**     50 rounds scored according to target used.

## **FIVE SHOT REVOLVER - 50 ROUNDS NIGHT COURSE**

### **Stage 1 Three (3) Yard Line (5 Rounds) - Total Darkness**

- 1. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 2 seconds.**
- 2. Draw and fire 2 rounds standing in 2 seconds.**
- 3. Draw and fire 1 round in 2 seconds.**

### **Stage 2 Five (5) Yard Line (10 Rounds) - Flashlight Optional**

- 1. Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds, keep the target covered. On a second command to fire, fire 2 rounds, reload with 5 and fire those 5 in 20 seconds.**

### **Stage 3 Seven (7) Yard Line (10 Rounds) - Bluelights Only**

- 1. Draw and fire 5 rounds, reload with 5 rounds and fire in 25 seconds. Reload.**

### **Stage 4 Ten (10) Yard Line (15 Rounds) Bluelights and Headlights**

- 1. Draw and fire 2 rounds kneeling in 5 seconds.**
- 2. Draw and fire 2 rounds kneeling in 5 seconds.**
- 3. Draw and fire 1 round standing, in 3 seconds, reload and holster.**
- 4. Draw and fire 5 rounds standing, reload and fire 5 rounds kneeling in 30 seconds.**

### **Stage 5 Fifteen (15) Yard Line (10 Rounds) - All Available Light**

- 1. Draw and fire 5 rounds standing, go to the kneeling position, reload and fire 5 rounds kneeling in 35 seconds.**

## HANDGUN QUALIFICATION - 30 ROUNDS - NIGHT

### **Stage 1**     **Three (3) Yard Line (4 Rounds) (Total Darkness)**

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, holster on command.
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds, holster on command.

### **Stage 2**     **Five (5) Yard Line (6 Rounds) (Flashlights Optional)**

Draw and fire 3 rounds in 5 seconds; on command fire 2 rounds in 3 seconds; on command fire 1 round in 1 second.

### **Stage 3**     **Seven (7) Yard Line (7 Rounds) (Bluelights Only)**

Draw and fire a total of 7 rounds with a reload in 16 seconds.

### **Stage 3**     **Ten (10) Yard Line (7 Rounds) (Blue lights and Headlights)**

1. Draw and fire 2 rounds kneeling in 5 seconds
2. Draw and fire 2 rounds kneeling in 5 seconds
3. Draw, go to a kneeling position and fire 2 rounds, reload and fire 1 round in 10 seconds.

### **Stage 4**     **Fifteen (15) Yard Line (6 Rounds) (All available light)**

Draw and fire 3 rounds standing position; go to kneeling position and fire 3 rounds with a reload in 20 seconds.

**Scoring:**     Multiply numerical score by two then divide by three.

**(OLD)BLET SHOTGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE  
(5 SLUGS/5 #00 BUCKSHOT)**

**00 Buckshot**

- Stage 1      1. **15 yard line** - Combat load 1 round, load a second round and fire 2 rounds standing from the shoulder in 15 seconds (clear weapon when empty).

**Load 3 rounds**

- Stage 2      2. **15 yard line** - Fire 3 rounds, 1 standing from the shoulder, 2 kneeling - 15 seconds - (clear weapon when empty).

**\*Score buckshot at this point.**

**Rifled Slugs**

**Load 3 rounds**

- Stage 3      1. **25 yard line** - Fire 3 rounds, 2 standing from the shoulder, 1 kneeling - 20 seconds - (clear weapon when empty).

- Stage 4      2. **40 yard line** - Combat load 1 round, load a second round and fire 1 standing from the shoulder, 1 kneeling - 20 seconds - (clear weapon when empty).

**\*Score slugs at this point.**

**NOTE: Stages 1 and 4 begin with weapon empty, safety on. Once the command to fire is given, student combat loads and fires. Stages 2 and 3 will start with shotgun in "cruiser safe" condition (magazine loaded, safety on, chamber empty). Once the command to fire is given, student chambers a round and fires. After firing on all stages, weapon should have safety on, action open and be carried at high port.**

**Scoring: 00 Buckshot**

**B-27 target, any hit in the black, 1 point for 9 pellets; .75 points for 12 pellets.**

## **Rifled Slug**

**B-27 target, each hit within 7 rings, 11 points; any other hit in the black, 6 points.**

**Totals for buckshot and slugs are added together for a total possible score - 100%. Seventy percent (70%) is required to qualify.**

**SHOTGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE**  
**(10 - #00 Buckshot)**

- Stage 1**     **15 yard line - Combat load 1 round, load a second round and fire 2 rounds standing from the shoulder in 15 seconds.**
- Stage 2**     **15 yard line - Load 3 rounds into magazine. On the command to fire, fire 1 round standing from the shoulder and 2 rounds kneeling in 15 seconds.**
- Stage 3**     **\*18 yard line - Combat load 1 round, load 2 rounds and fire 3 rounds kneeling in 20 seconds.**
- Stage 4**     **\*18 yard line - Combat load 1 round and fire within 5 seconds.**
- Stage 5**     **\*18 yard line - Combat load 1 round and fire within 5 seconds.**

**\*Buckshot has a normal pattern spread of 1" per yard traveled. Shooting beyond 18 yards may cause pellets to miss the target based solely on the standard pattern spread. The decision to fire beyond 18 yards should be based on the surrounding environment. If there are no bystanders, etc., then it may be safe to fire at distances greater than 18 yards. With this in mind, instructors may wish to use such a scenario and move some stages back to 25 yards. Students should understand how the dispersion works.**

**Scoring:     9 pellet 00 Buckshot 1 point per hit - max. 90 points**  
**63 points = 70%**

## **FBI SHOTGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE**

### **Stage 1 Fifty (50) Yard Line - 2 Slugs**

**Load 2 slugs, rack one round into the chamber and come to the ready gun position. On command, fire 1 round standing and 1 round kneeling in 10 seconds.**

### **Stage 2 Twenty-five (25) Yard Line - 5 #00 Buckshot**

**On command, combat load 3 rounds and fire 3 rounds standing, combat load 2 rounds and fire 2 rounds standing in a total time of 35 seconds.**

### **Stage 3 Fifteen (15) Yard Line - 5 #00 Buckshot**

**On command, combat load five rounds, fire two rounds standing in 25 seconds. Place the weapon on safe. On command snap shoot 1 round. On command snap shoot 1 round. One command snap shoot 1 round. (Speed and accuracy should be emphasized during this phase.)**

**Scoring: Slugs - 10 point total**

**00 Buckshot - 9 pellet - 1 point per hit, 12 pellet - .75 per hit.**



**SHOTGUN COURSE - SLUGS/#4 BUCKSHOT  
(3 SLUGS/10 #4 BUCKSHOT)**

**Stage 1     Fifty (50) Yard Line (3 Slugs)**

**Load 3 rounds of rifled slugs - chamber one round**

**Fire 2 rounds standing and 1 round kneeling in 15 seconds**

**Stage 2     Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (6 - #4 Buckshot)**

**Load four (4) #4 Buckshot into magazine.**

**On command to fire, chamber one round; place the fifth round in the magazine. Fire 5 rounds from the standing position. After fifth round is fired, drop sixth round into chamber and fire. Time limit is 20 seconds.**

**Stage 3     Fifteen (15) Yard Line (4 - #4 Buckshot)**

**Load four (4) #4 Buckshot into magazine.**

**On command to fire, fire 2 rounds standing and 2 rounds kneeling in 15 seconds.**

<b>Scoring:</b>	<b>Slugs – 10 points each –</b>	<b>30 Total</b>
	<b>#4 Buckshot – 1 point each –</b>	<b><u>270 Total</u></b>
		<b>300 Total</b>

**Divide by 3 for percentile score**

**SHOTGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE - NIGHT  
(5 SLUGS/5 #00 BUCKSHOT)**

**Stage 1 Fifteen (15) Yard Line (5 #00 Buckshot) - Bluelights only**

**Load 2 #00 Buckshot**

**Fire 1 round standing from the shoulder and 1 round kneeling in 20 seconds.**

**Headlights and Bluelights**

**Load 3 #00 Buckshot**

**Fire 2 rounds standing from the shoulder and 1 round kneeling in 20 seconds.**

**\*Score Buckshot at this point.**

**Stage 2 Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (4 Rounds - Slugs) - Headlights & Bluelights**

**Load 4 slugs**

**Fire 2 rounds standing from the shoulder and 2 rounds kneeling in 30 seconds.**

**Stage 3 Forty (40) Yard Line (1 Round - Slug) - all available light**

**Load 1 slug**

**Fire 1 round standing in 15 seconds.**

**\*Score slugs at this point.**

**NRA SUBMACHINE GUN PROFICIENCY COURSE  
(60 ROUNDS)**

**Stage 1     Three (3) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

**Fire 10 rounds standing in 5 seconds SA/FA**

**Stage 2     Seven (7) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

**Fire 10 rounds standing in 5 seconds SA/FA**

**Stage 3     Fifteen (15) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

**Fire 10 rounds standing with sights in 3 seconds  
FA (multiple bursts recommended)**

**Score and change targets**

**Stage 4     Twenty-Five (25) Yard Line (20 Rounds)**

1. **Fire 10 rounds standing to kneeling with sights SA, with a magazine change - each magazine loaded with 5 rounds, in 25 seconds.**
2. **Fire 10 rounds standing barricade with sights, SA, with a magazine change - each magazine loaded with 5 rounds in 20 seconds.**

**Stage 5     Fifty (50) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

1. **Fire 5 rounds standing to kneeling barricade with sights, SA, in 25 seconds.**
2. **Fire 5 rounds standing to prone barricade with sights, SA, in 30 seconds.**

**Target - TQ-19, 5 points per hit in gray**

**Shooting at the 3 and 7 yard line can be semi-automatic (SA) or full automatic (FA) at the shooter's discretion. Stock placement is also at the shooter's discretion at these distances.**

**SUBMACHINE GUN QUALIFICATION COURSE  
(50 ROUNDS)**

**Stage 1     Five (5) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

- 1. Fire 6 rounds in 2 to 3 shot burst from sternum or sling extension in 4 seconds.**
- 2. Fire 6 rounds in 4 seconds point shoulder, start with stovepipe.**

**Stage 2     Seven (7) Yard Line (20 Rounds)**

- \*1. Fire 12 rounds in 20 seconds from shoulder ready gun position with two reloads using three magazines each loaded with four rounds.**
- 2. Fire 8 rounds in 2 to 3 shot burst in 6 seconds.**

**Stage 3     Fifteen (15) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

- 1. Fire 2 shots in 6 seconds at the head**
- 2. Fire 2 shots in 6 seconds at the head**
- 3. Fire 2 shots in 6 seconds at the head**

**Stage 4     Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (12 Rounds)**

**Fire 4 rounds prone barricade, 4 rounds kneeling barricade and 4 rounds standing barricade, single fire in 40 seconds.**

**Scoring:     50 rounds scored according to target used**

**\*If three magazines are not available, modify by increasing number of rounds in two magazines and reduction of time.**

## **SUBMACHINE GUN STANDARDS AND QUALIFICATION COURSE**

**Stage 1: Demonstrate the proper way to load and make ready.**

**Stage 2: Demonstrate the proper way to unload and make safe.**

### **TEN YARD LINE - (15 Rounds)**

**Stage 3: On command, fire two rounds in 1 second. (Semiautomatic)**

**Stage 4: On command, fire two rounds at two targets in 2 seconds. (Semiautomatic)**

**Stage 5: On command, fire two rounds reload and fire two additional rounds in 7 seconds. (Semiautomatic or fully automatic)**

**Stage 6: With an empty chamber, dry fire the submachine gun, draw a backup weapon and fire one round in 2 seconds with the backup weapon.**

**Stage 7: On command, fire a three round burst in 1.5 seconds. (Fully automatic)**

**Stage 8: On command, fire three rounds to the body and one round to the head in 2 seconds. (Fully automatic)**

### **FIFTEEN YARD LINE - (10 Rounds)**

**Stage 9: On command, fire five rounds in 2 seconds. (Fully automatic)  
On command, fire five rounds in 2 seconds. (Fully automatic)**

### **TWENTY-FIVE YARD LINE - (5 Rounds)**

**Stage 10: On command, fire five rounds in 5 seconds. (Semiautomatic)**

**FBI SWAT SMG  
(60 ROUNDS)**

**Stage 1     Sixty (60) Yards - 30 Rounds in Magazine**

**Ten rounds single fire in 12 seconds from following positions:**

**Prone - 2 rounds**

**Kneeling - 2 rounds**

**Standing - 6 rounds.**

**Place weapon on safe**

**Stage 2     Twenty-five (25) Yard Line - Remaining 20 Rounds**

**Come to ready position. On command to fire, fire 10 rounds single fire from the strong shoulder, switch and fire 10 rounds single fire from the weak shoulder. Total time is 25 seconds. Each shooter fires at two targets placed two feet apart, alternating targets after each two shots.**

**Stage 3     Fifteen (15) Yard Line - 20 Rounds in Magazine**

**Fire 10 rounds double tap in 10 seconds - alternate targets. Place weapon on safe.**

**Stage 4     Ten (10) Yard Line - Remaining 10 Rounds**

**Come to ready position. On command fire 10 rounds fully automatic mode in 2 - 3 shot burst alternate targets with each burst. Total time - 8 seconds.**

**Stage 5     Seven (7) Yard Line - 10 Rounds in Magazine**

**Fire 10 rounds, full automatic is shot burst alternate targets in 6 seconds.            Clear weapon and make safe.**

**Scoring:     For each hit or nick, score 5 points. Total score of 300. Divide by 3 for percentile score.**

**PATROL RIFLE QUALIFICATION COURSE  
(30 ROUNDS)**

**Stage 1     Ten (10) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

1. Fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds - standing position.
2. Fire 2 rounds in 2 seconds - standing position.
3. Fire 1 round in 4 seconds (head shot only) - standing position.
4. Fire 1 round in 4 seconds (head shot only) - standing position.

**Stage 2     Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

1. Fire 2 rounds in 4 seconds - standing position.
2. Fire 2 rounds in 4 seconds - standing position.
3. Fire 2 rounds in 4 seconds - standing position.

**Stage 3     Fifty (50) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

1. Fire 2 rounds in 10 seconds from the kneeling position.
2. Fire 2 rounds in 10 seconds from the kneeling position.
3. Fire 2 rounds in 10 seconds from the kneeling position.

**Stage 4     Seventy-five (75) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

Fire 6 rounds in 60 seconds in the sitting position.

**Stage 5     One hundred (100) Yard Line (6 Rounds)**

Fire 6 rounds - 60 seconds from the prone position.

**Scoring:**     30 rounds scored according to target used

**SBI RIFLE QUALIFICATION COURSE  
(60 ROUNDS)**

**Stage 1     One hundred (100) Yard Line (35 Rounds)**

1. Fire 3 rounds prone in 10 seconds (Loop Sling).
2. Fire 5 rounds prone in 60 seconds (Loop Sling).
3. Fire 10 rounds prone in 40 seconds with (Loop Sling) a required magazine change.
4. Fire 5 rounds sitting in 60 seconds (Loop Sling).
5. Fire 5 rounds kneeling in 60 seconds (Loop Sling).
6. Fire 7 rounds standing in 180 seconds (Hasty Sling).

**Stage 2     Seventy-five (75) Yard Line (15 Rounds)**

1. Fire 5 rounds standing from the ready position. One shot per 6 seconds (Hasty Sling).
2. Fire 4 rounds kneeling one shot per 6 seconds. Moving from standing to kneeling (Hasty Sling).
3. Fire 6 rounds sitting from the sitting ready position one shot per 6 seconds (Hasty Sling).

**Stage 3     Fifty (50) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

1. Standing/no sling - fire 5 shots, one shot per 3 seconds.
2. Kneeling, hasty sling from port arms fire 5 rounds, one round per 10 seconds.

**Scoring:     60 rounds scored according to target used**

**\*SBI utilizes the TQ15 Target.**



**NRA RIFLE PROFICIENCY COURSE  
(60 ROUNDS)**

**Stage 1     One Hundred (100) Yard Line (35 Rounds)**

1. Fire 3 rounds from a prone loop sling position each shot fired on call within 4 seconds.
2. Fire 5 rounds from a prone loop sling position in 60 seconds.
3. (Lock back and reload is required) Fire 10 rounds from a prone loop sling position in 40 seconds.
4. Fire 5 rounds sitting loop sling position in 60 seconds.
5. Fire 5 rounds kneeling loop sling position in 90 seconds.
6. Fire 7 rounds standing slow fire with hasty sling in 5 minutes.

**Stage 2     Seventy-five (75) Yard Line (15 Rounds)**

1. Fire 5 rounds standing from ready each shot fired on call within 4 seconds. Hasty sling.
2. Fire 4 rounds kneeling from ready position each shot fired on call within 5 seconds. Hasty sling.
3. Fire 6 rounds sitting, each shot fired on call 2 shots per 4 seconds.

**Stage 3     Fifty (50) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

1. Fire 5 rounds standing from ready, each shot fired on call within 3 seconds. No sling.
2. Fire 5 rounds kneeling from ready, each shot fired on call within 4 seconds. No sling.

**Scoring:** NRA used a TQ19 Target with each hit within the gray counting 5 points.

**CARBINE COURSE  
(25 Rounds)**

**Stage 1: Twenty-five (25) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

1. Fire two rounds in four seconds from the standing position.
2. Fire two rounds in four seconds from the standing position.
3. Fire two rounds in four seconds from the standing position.
4. Fire four rounds in ten seconds from the kneeling position.

**Stage 2: Fifty (50) Yard Line (10 Rounds)**

1. Fire two rounds in ten seconds from the standing position.
2. Fire two rounds in ten seconds from the standing position.
3. Fire two rounds in twelve seconds from the kneeling position.
4. Fire two rounds in twelve seconds from the kneeling position.
5. Fire two rounds in twelve seconds from the kneeling position.

**Stage 3: One hundred (100) Yard Line (5 Rounds)**

Fire five rounds from the prone position in sixty seconds.

**Scoring:** Score according to target used. Paper plates can be used with each shot worth four points.

**NCJA SFITC Rifle Course  
(20 Rounds)**

**Stage One**

**10 Yard Line-2 Rounds to head from low ready in 4 seconds**

**10 Yard Line-2 Rounds to head from low ready in 4 seconds**

**10 Yard Line-2 Rounds to head from low ready in 4 seconds**

**Stage Two**

**25 Yard Line-2 rounds center mass in 5 seconds-right side barricade**

**25 Yard Line-2 rounds center mass in 5 seconds-left side barricade**

**Stage Three**

**50 Yard Line-5 rounds standing and 5 rounds kneeling in 45 seconds.**

**(The student *must* start with rifle chamber empty and *must* make an additional magazine change during this stage of fire.)**

**\*On stages one and two the student starts chambered and ready to fire. For stage three the student *must* start with rifle chamber empty and *must* make an additional magazine change during the course of fire. Most LEO's now carry patrol rifles with a loaded magazine and a clear chamber. This will prompt the student to become accustomed to immediately working the action to chamber the first round upon presenting the rifle.\***

**NC SBI (ALE Section) In-Service Rifle Qualification with Pistol Transition  
(40 rifle rounds/10 pistol rounds)  
Day Course**

Agent will load their 1<sup>st</sup> rifle magazine with 20 rounds.

Agent will load their 2<sup>nd</sup> rifle magazine with 15 rounds.

Agent will load their 3<sup>rd</sup> rifle magazine with 5 rounds.

Agent will load their 1<sup>st</sup> pistol magazine with 8 rounds.

Agent will load their 2<sup>nd</sup> pistol magazine with 2 rounds.

**Stage 1 is at the 100 yard line** – 5 rounds in 30 seconds from a supported prone position.

**Stage 2 is at the 75 yard line** – 10 rounds in 60 seconds from the supported prone position.

**Stage 3 is at the 50 yard line** – Starting in the standing position, move into the prone position and fire 5 rounds prone, then make a magazine change and fire 5 rounds kneeling, then stand up and fire 5 rounds standing for a total of 15 rounds in 90 seconds.

**Stage 4 is at the 15 yard line** – Starting on the 25 yard line, move rapidly to the 15 yard line and fire five rounds standing, then transition to the pistol and fire 5 rounds standing for a total of 10 rounds in 30 seconds. Replace rifle magazine with next magazine, load and charge.

**Stage 5 is at the 7 yard line** – Starting at the 15 yard line, move rapidly to the 7 yard line and fire 5 rounds standing from the rifle, then transition to the pistol and fire 5 rounds standing for a total of 10 rounds in 30 seconds. Student must make a magazine change with the pistol.

**Scoring:** Target 50 hits, 100 maximum. 2 points for each hit inside scoring line. 1 point for hits outside scoring line, 0 for any hit not on target.

**NC SBI (ALE Section) In-Service Rifle Qualification with Pistol Transition  
(40 rifle rounds/10 pistol rounds)  
Night Course**

Agent will load their 1<sup>st</sup> rifle magazine with 15 rounds.  
Agent will load their 2<sup>nd</sup> rifle magazine with 10 rounds.  
Agent will load their 3<sup>rd</sup> rifle magazine with 10 rounds.

Agent will load their 1<sup>st</sup> pistol magazine with 8 rounds.  
Agent will load their 2<sup>nd</sup> pistol magazine with 2 rounds.  
Agent will load an additional 5 rifle rounds at the end of stage 4.

**Stage 1 is at the 40 yard line with all available light**– Move rapidly from the 50 yard line to the 40 yard line and fire 5 rounds standing and 5 rounds kneeling for a total of 10 rounds in 60 seconds.

**Stage 2 is at the 25 yard line with all available light**– Move rapidly from the 40 yard line to the 25 yard line and fire 5 rounds standing and 5 rounds kneeling in 60 seconds with a magazine change.

**Stage 3 is at the 15 yard line with bluelights and headlights**– Move rapidly from the 25 yard line to the 15 yard line and fire 5 rounds standing and 5 rounds kneeling in 60 seconds with a magazine change.

**Stage 4 is at the 10 yard line in total darkness**– Fire 5 rounds standing, then transition to the pistol and fire 5 rounds standing, for a total of 10 rounds in 30 seconds. Load and charge rifle with a 5 round magazine at the end of this stage. Rifle/pistol light must be used at this stage.

**Stage 5 is at the 5 yard line in total darkness**– Fire 5 rounds standing from the rifle, then transition to the pistol and fire 5 rounds standing for a total of 10 rounds in 30 seconds. Student must make a magazine change with the pistol. Rifle/Pistol lights are NOT allowed for use on this stage.

**Scoring:** Same method as above

