Basic Police Sniper Course

Presented by TacFlow Academy | Hosted by Henderson Police Department



Course Description

Our 5-day, 50-hour curriculum is designed for law enforcement personnel that are currently assigned to a SWAT team and are designated to perform the specialty of police sniper. This is a Certification Level course and will require each participant to pass a written examination, qualification course and fieldcraft exercises. Our Basic Police Sniper course provides a strong foundation of the fundamentals of precision rifle shooting, positional shooting, basic tripod shooting & fieldcraft. The teaching methodology conducted is crawl, walk, run, and begins with the proper fitting of the precision rifle to the student. Each day's learning objectives will build upon the previous day emphasizing consistency with every task. In addition to the shooting aspect, operational deployment procedures from the vehicle to conventional SWAT callouts and establishing an effective observation position will be taught. Case studies and legal precedents involving the use of deadly force by police snipers will be discussed. The American Sniper Association Police Sniper Utilization Report will be introduced and discussed.

Each student will receive a one year membership in the American Sniper Association.

Topics covered include:

- Marksmanship
- Ballistic theory and Calculations
- Kit Selection

- Alternate Positions
- Mission Planning
- Mission Deployments



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Course Prerequisite: Active member of a collateral duty or full time SWAT team. SWAT Carbine Certified or Patrol Rifle Certified by your agency.

Required Gear List:

- Precision rifle with quality variable powered riflescope, bipod & adjustable sling consistently capable of delivering 1 MOA or better groups (bolt action/semi auto). No patrol rifles or non-magnified optics.
 NOTE: Remington 700 rifles with Accidental Discharge history not allowed in course
- 500 rounds Factory Match Ammunition-No reloads (Duty rounds acceptable such as ELD/AMAX, ballistic tip, BTHP. Calibers allowed (223 Rem/308 WIN/6.5 CM)
- 60 rounds of Barrier (Bonded) Ammunition
- Binoculars or spotting scope
- Gas mask
- Sniper LBV or plate carrier
- Shooting Tripod (will provided if needed)
- Sniper Deployment Pack
- Minimum (2) Magazines (Semi-auto and bolt)
- Rear Support Bag
- Sniper Data Book
- Ear Protection
- Eye Protection (Clear Lenses)
- Hat (boonie or baseball style)

Recommended Support Gear:

- Magazine pouches for extra rifle magazines
- Rifle Cleaning Gear
- Shooting Mat
- Rifle Tools (Fix It Sticks, Nightforce etc.)
- Shooter's Belt
- Kestrel Ballistic Weather Meter
- Laser Range Finder (LRF)

Personal Sustainment:

- Weather Appropriate Gear
- Field or Camping Chair
- Sunscreen
- Water Source
- Snacks and Lunch



