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## CONSTABLES' TRAINING BULLETIN

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### Additional Basic Training Classes

Since November 2003, the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) has received over 270 telephone calls from constables and deputy constables who are interested in attending Act 44 basic training. Most of these are newly elected or appointed. Because of this, one additional basic training class has been added and another rescheduled.

#### **Temple University - Fort Washington Campus**

June 7 through June 18, 2004  
Monday through Friday, 8 am - 5 pm  
**Class ID SE02B04**

#### **Mercyhurst College - Meadville Campus**

February 6 through February 29, 2004\*  
Friday, 6 pm - 10 pm, Saturday and Sunday, 8 am - 5 pm  
**Class ID NW02B04**

\*This class replaces the class originally scheduled for July 9 through August 1, 2004.

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### Handgun Qualification Course of Fire

The 2004 Handgun Qualification Course of Fire published in the 2004 Training Schedule contained a typographical error. Stage four will be fired from the 10 and 15-yard lines. Stage 5 will be fired from the 15-yard line. On the following pages, the corrected 2004 Handgun Qualification Course of Fire is printed in its entirety.

## 2004 HANDGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE OF FIRE

**TARGET: NRA TQ-21 or Modified TQ-15 (DPD-97)**

### **STAGE 1 “Shove & Shoot”/Close quarters/Weapon retention**

**2-yard line. 6 rounds.** Shooter stands facing target with non-shooting hand on target. On command, shooter pushes off target, shuffle steps back to the 5-yard line, draws and fires 2 shots, one hand, weapon retention position, to the center of body mass in 4 seconds. Re-holster, then repeat 2 times.

Holster safe & empty weapon

**NOTE:** Some range conditions (and/or range rules) may not allow the actual touching and pushing off from a target or stand less than 3 yards from a target. Instructors may consider starting this exercise from the 3 or 5-yard line without the rear-ward step actions.

### **STAGE 2 “Body Armor”/Tactical**

**5-yard line. 6 rounds.** On command, shooter draws, one or two hand hold and fires 2 shots to either the center of body mass, or at the center of the head or pelvic girdle (DPD-97 target) as called by the instructor. Time: 3 seconds. Assume two hand scan position, then repeat 2 times.

Holster safe & empty weapon

**NOTE:** Instructors will call in a loud voice the term “**Body Armor**” at various times during this exercise. Upon the command “Body Armor” shooters must fire their shots at the head or pelvic girdle (DPD-97). Scoring must reflect the separate “Body Armor” shots. The number of “Body Armor” shots are at the discretion of the instructor.

Holster safe & empty weapon

### **STAGE 3 Speed Reloading & Non-Dominant Hand**

**7-yard line. 12 rounds.** On command, shooters will draw to a two hand point aim position, fire 6 shots, speed reload with a fresh magazine and transfer the weapon to the non-dominant hand and fire an additional 6 shots using a one-hand, non-dominant hand grip hold. Time: 30 seconds.

Holster safe & empty weapon

**STAGE 4 Tactical Movement, Reloading & Firing From Behind Cover.  
12 rounds.**

**10-yard line. 6 rounds.** On command, standing 2 yards to the right or left of cover (instructor discretion), shooter draws and fires 2 shots, two hand hold, while moving to cover then fires 2 shots from right kneel cover and 2 shots left side kneel cover. Then –

**15-yard line. 6 rounds.** The shooter immediately reloads their weapon using the speed/emergency reloading technique and immediately fires 2 shots kneeling over cover, 2 shots kneeling from the left side of cover and 2 shots from the right side of cover. Time: 45 seconds.

Holster safe & empty weapon

NOTE: Cover at the 10-yard line should consist of a device with sufficient width and stability to allow the shooter a proper platform to perform the shooting techniques.

At Stage 4, for safety considerations, instructors may consider having Constables fire in single lanes, one at a time. This will enable the instructors and line officers to maintain safety discipline required during this exercise.

**STAGE 5 Tactical Reload (Save & Exchange)**

**15-yard line. 8 rounds.** Configure one magazine to 4 rounds and a second magazine to 5 rounds. Load the 4 round magazine and make the 5 round magazine available for reload. For revolvers configure one speed loader with 2 rounds and make the speed loader available for reloading. Load the revolver with 6 rounds.

Pistols: From behind cover, on command, draw and fire, 2 shots kneeling right side cover, perform a tactical save & exchange reload with the 5 round magazine and fire 2 shots kneeling left side cover, 2 shots kneeling right side cover, 2 shots over cover. Time: 45 seconds.

Holster safe & empty weapon

Revolver: From behind cover, on command, draw and fire 2 shots kneeling right side cover, 2 shots kneeling left side cover, 2 shots over cover, reload with 2 rounds and fire 2 shots over cover. Time: 45 seconds.

Holster safe & empty weapon

## **STAGE 6 Barricade/precision shooting**

**25-yard line. 6 rounds.** On command, shooter draws and fires 3 shots standing barricade (either side) and 3 shots kneeling barricade (either side). Time: 35 seconds.

Ensure weapon is unloaded and holster a safe & empty weapon.

INSTRUCTOR NOTE: Shooters firing a 5-shot revolver will be short by 7 rounds.  
Instructors will make up the missing rounds by firing  
The following stage of fire;

## **STAGE 7 Precision shooting/reloading**

**7-yard line. 7 rounds.** Shooters will load with 5 rounds and make 2 rounds available for reload. On command, shooter draws to a two hand position firing 5 shots, unloads, reloads with 2 rounds and fires until empty. Time: 25 seconds.

**SCORE TARGETS. 50 ROUNDS.**

5 points for each "Body Armor" shot inside the head circle or pelvic girdle (when using DPD-97) area. 0 points for any shots outside the center head circle or pelvic girdle area.

5 points for each shot inside the head circle and the center mass square.

4 points for all other shots outside the center of mass square and inside the shaded area of the target.

0 points for missed shots or shots outside the target, but on the paper.

0 points for shots not fired or missing the target.

**75% = 188 POINTS**

To determine a percentage, multiply the total points by 0.4.

Instructor note: Upon the conclusion of the qualification program and range policing, all Constables will be provided time to clean their weapons prior to leaving the range operation. During this time the instructors should review the program and dismiss the constable(s) after a weapons inspection for proper cleaning. Should an instructor note needed weapon repairs, the shooter should be advised to consult a gunsmith or the weapon manufacturer for the appropriate repair.