SCENARIO BASED TACTICAL OPERATIONS

COURSE OVERVIEW AND INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS

COURSE LENGTH: 40 Hours (4 Days / 10 Hours Each Day)
0 Hours Classroom
40 Hours Practical

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course is intended for SWAT team members who have prior training and experience in the barricade, warrant service and hostage rescue disciplines. It is recommended that students have attended Basic SWAT or SWAT I, and SWAT II (or equivalent) prior to attending this class.

Officers attending the course will be evaluated on their prior experience and training and will be tasked with various tactical scenarios dealing with barricade, warrant service, and hostage rescue incidents.

This will be an intensive scenario only based course, which will have no formal instruction prior to each training scenario and will require students to perform utilizing their prior experience. Throughout the course, students will be provided feedback and critiques on their performance.

Scenarios will include environments conducive to actual real-time operations, to include low-light and night-time operations.

THIS COURSE WILL END AT 2400 HOURS ON THE LAST DAY OF CLASS. STUDENTS SHOULD PLAN ACCORDINGLY.

INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS

Upon completion of this course the attendee will be familiar with:

1. Barricaded subject tactics and techniques in reality based training scenarios.
2. High-Risk warrant service tactics and techniques in reality based training scenarios.
3. Hostage rescue tactics and techniques in reality based training scenarios.
4. Understanding the decision-making process in resolving these three response capabilities.
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DAY TO DAY / HOUR TO HOUR AGENDA

DAY ONE

Hours: Instruction:
0800-0830 Introduction and Course Overview, Safety Briefing
0830-1200 Barricade Scenario – Rescue, Deployment, Movement
1200-1300 Lunch (not provided)
1300-1730 Barricade Movement with Simunitions® and Role Players
1730-1800 Debrief of Day One

DAY TWO

Hours: Instruction:
0800-1200 Warrant Scenario – Officer Down, Custody, Approaches, Movement
1200-1300 Lunch (not provided)
1300-1730 Warrant Movement with Simunitions® and Role Players
1730-1800 Debrief of Day Two

DAY THREE

Hours: Instruction:
0800-1200 Hostage Rescue Practical to Include: Emergency Rescue, Deliberate Plan, Covert to Contact, Deployment
1200-1300 Lunch (not provided)
1300-1730 Range or Shoot House, Shooting on the Move Drills
1730-1800 Debrief of Day Three

DAY FOUR

Hours: Instruction:
1600-2000 Hostage Rescue from Vehicle, Bus; Movement with Simunitions®
2000-2100 Lunch (not provided)
2100-2330 Hostage Scenario with Simunitions® and Role Players (Low Light / Night-Time Operations)
2230-2400 Debrief of Week
I. Preface

A. Course Overview
B. Instructional Goals
C. Agenda
D. Outline
E. Co-Host Logistics
F. Student Equipment List
G. Instructor Materials

II. Barricade Operational Procedures

A. Team Movement / Covert
B. Deployment / Immediate Deployment vs. Conventional Deployment
C. Scouting
D. Gas Considerations
E. Long Gun Deployment
F. Command Post
G. Less-Lethal Options
H. Use of Shield and Mirror
I. Low-Light Conditions / Use of Lights in Dark Conditions
J. Officer Down Drills or Citizen Rescues
K. Deployment of EMS / Other Personnel

III. Warrant Service Operations Procedures

A. Team Movement
B. Scouting
C. Breaching / Porting
D. Officer Down Drills
E. Operational Planning
F. Deployment of Team
G. Operational Options
   1. Contain and Call-Out
   2. Breach and Hold
   3. Limited Penetration
   4. Controlled Movement
   5. Take-Down Away from Structure
IV. Hostage Rescue Operational Procedures

A. Team Movement  
B. Covert to Contact  
C. Emergency Intervention  
D. Controlled Movement / Master Plan  
E. Deployment of Team  
F. Breaching Considerations  
G. Command and Control  
H. Vehicle Interventions / U and L Shape Tactics  
I. Bus Intervention / Ladders  
J. Sniper Initiated Intervention  
K. Multiple Suspects  
L. Known / Unknown Location of Hostage or Hostage Taker  
M. Known / Unknown Layout of Location

V. Range

A. Movement While Shooting at Suspect with Hostage Targets  
B. Movement and Shooting with Gas Mask  
C. Rescue Open Air with an Active Shooter  
D. Vehicle Interventions

VI. Low-light Movement

A. Working Covert Movement Discipline in a Low-Light Environment  
B. Use of Light Curtain

VII. Scenario-Based Training

A. Students will be given several scenarios each day based on the discipline of the day. The scenarios with consist of Simunition® use and role players. The scenarios will be shoot and non-shoot situations.
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CO-HOST LOGISTIC REQUIREMENTS

RANGE OR SHOOTHOUSE

Half day on day three

MOVEMENT AREAS

Houses with multiple floors and rooms
Commercial building with multiple floors and rooms able to support the use of diversionary devices
Structure that is away from the public with an open area for a large hostage scenario

OTHER

Role players
Training weapons and 9 mm marking rounds
Emergency medical support on-site or nearby
White board
*Training* Noise Flash Diversionary Devices (NFDD’s) (if possible)
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STUDENT EQUIPMENT LIST

INDIVIDUAL

- Law enforcement ID
- Swat uniform
- Gloves
- Neck/eye/face/groin protection
- Ballistic helmet
- Boots
- Body armor/entry vest
- Chemical agent mask
- Goggles
- Flashlight
- Training weapons & 9 mm marking rounds (100 rds)
- Primary entry weapon
- Secondary weapon (pistol)
- 100 rounds handgun ammunition
- 150 rounds rifle ammunition

**Optional Equipment Recommended**
- Mirrors for searching
- Doorstops
- 20’ (foot) piece of 1” (inch) tubular nylon
- *Training* Noise Flash Diversionary Device