



HOSTAGE RESCUE OPERATIONS

SCHEDULE

DAY 1

- NTOA Priorities of Safety Model and Critical Thinking for Hostage Rescue
- Law and Liability for Hostage Rescue Situations
- Patrol Response and Incident Command for Hostage Situations
- Crisis Negotiation Strategies for Hostage Situations
- Individual Movement, Principles, and Tactics
- Element Movement, Principles, and Tactics

DAY 2

- Team Capabilities for Building Comprehensive HR Response Strategy
- Tactical Principles and Doctrine for Hostage Rescue Operations
- Defining the Situation and Crisis Entry for Hostage Rescue Operations.
- Team Movement, Principles and Tactics

DAY 3

- Element Movement and Principles for Hostage Rescue

DAY 4

- Strategy and Planning Deliberate Hostage Rescue Operations
- Element Movement and Principles for Hostage Rescue
- Element Movement and Applications for Hostage Rescue
- Team Movement and Principles for Hostage Rescue

DAY 5

- Deliberate Hostage Rescue Scenarios

40 HOURS OF TRAINING OVER 5 DAYS

This course is designed to equip personnel assigned to SWAT teams with intermediate-level skills. It covers hostage-rescue operator-level entry tactics and principles, rapid deployment for crisis entry, emergency entry tactics, tactical operations center procedures, span of control for hostage-rescue operations, and crisis negotiation strategies. Additionally, it covers defining the tactical environment to determine the best course of action, and legal and liability considerations for the use of force options in hostage rescue, including sniper-initiated rescue operations, structure rescue considerations, and vehicle rescue operations. The course further defines the personnel-intensive nature of hostage rescue operations and provides individuals with an understanding of their own and the team's capabilities and limitations.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Critical thinking and tactical decision-making during hostage rescue operations
- Priorities of work in the first 30 minutes of a critical incident
- Patrol response requirements and transition to SWAT during hostage rescue operations
- Law and liability considerations of hostage rescue operations
- Crisis-negotiation strategies during hostage-rescue incidents
- Force options based on suspect/subject levels of resistance
- Methods for developing a comprehensive hostage rescue strategy
- Tactical principles and doctrine for hostage rescue operations
- Strategy and planning essentials for developing a comprehensive, deliberate rescue plan
- Defining the situation and the necessity for crisis interventions
- Technology options during response
- Post-operation procedures after a hostage rescue operation.
- Individual, element, and team rescue movements and tactics.