Distraction Device Breaching Course Expanded Course Outline - 16 Hours

1. Administrative Matters.

A. Introductions.

- 1. Instructors.
- 2. Participants.

B. Registration

- 1. POST Roster
- 2. Class Roster
- 3. College application if applicable.

C. Program of Instruction.

- 1. Goals and Objectives.
- 2. Training Facilities.
- 3. Training Schedule.
- 4. Safety Protocols.

2. Diversionary Device Configurations.

A. Design Configuration.

- 1. Light/Sound Distraction Device functioning.
- 2. Reflective Pressure Effect.
- 3. Safe pressure limitations Occupants.
- 4. Safe pressure limitations Tool Attachments.

B. Breaching Equipment Technical Data and Configuration.

- 1. Extension Pole rigging.
- 2. Door Lock Breaching Attachment.
- 3. Door Jam Lock Breaching Attachment.
- 4. Window Breaching Attachment.
- 5. Distraction Device Attachment.
- 6. Aerosol Chemical Agent Attachment.

3. Kinetic Energy Concepts.

A. Comparisons.

- 1. Distraction Device Pounds per Square Inch Pressure.
- 2. Enclosed Distraction Device Pounds per Square Inch Pressure.

B. Law Enforcement Applications.

- 1. Department Policy and Procedures.
- 2. Use of Force Issues.
- 3. Training and Justification for Deployment.

C. Physiological Aspects.

- 1. Deployment concerns regarding presence of occupants and law enforcement personnel.
- 2. Blunt force.
- 3. Blunt force trauma injury.

- 4. Potential projectile/fragmentation hazards and breaching tool deployment injuries.
- 5. Detonation energy transfer to tool operator.

D. Psychological Impact.

- 1. Disorientation.
- 2. Distraction.
- 3. Reflex hesitation.
- 4. Sensory overload.

4. Distraction Device Breaching Equipment and Use of Force Considerations.

A. Law Enforcement Officers must:

- 1. Use force that is lawful and that follows department policy.
- 2. Understand forced breaching options to gain access through barriers.

B. Deployment of Distraction Device Munitions.

- 1. Liability concerns.
- 2. Court cases/case law.

5. Deployment procedures.

A. Safe handling procedures.

- 1. Training procedures SOP.
- 2. Tactical operations SOP.

B. Concept of deployment.

- 1. Placement/positioning for pole/tool carry and set-up.
- 2. Coordination of primary tool/attachment operator and support operator.
- 3. Adjustment procedures for optimal placement of Distraction Device tools.
- 4. Proper grip and hold for left/right hand positioning/placement of tools.
- 5. Firing device/Initiator placement and engagement during deployment.
- 6. Approach movement and set-up for placement procedures.
- 7. Notification/communication procedures.
- 8. Position and movement for insertion.
- Viewing and cover officer back-up tactics.
- 10. Room, hallway, window and wall positioning/placement procedures.
- 11. Abort procedures unable to deploy tool due to safety concerns.
- 12. Failure to detonate procedures.
- 13. Team Leader positioning and control during execution of breach and subsequent tactical actions of entry team members.

C. Stances and Movement Procedures.

- 1. Standing and kneeling positions.
- 2. Weapon deployment and weapon sling procedures.
- 3. Tactical approach and extraction walks.
- 4. Transition from breaching tool positioning/placement to weapons.

6. Administrative Procedures.

A. Loading, cleaning and maintenance of Distraction Devices.

- 1. Manufacturer specifications.
- 2. Manufacturer recommended procedures.
- B. Assembly, attachment of devices and maintenance of breaching tool.

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- 2. Manufacturer recommended procedures.

C. Inventory and record maintenance.

- 1. Breaching tool components and assemblies.
- 2. Distraction Devices, shock tube and firing devices.
- D. Record Training and Operational Deployment of Diversionary Devices.
 - 1. Individual operators.
 - 2. Agency total.

7. Deployment Guidelines.

A. Distraction Device Breaching Munitions have the potential to cause injuries.

- 1. Tool provides an enhancement to other breaching capabilities.
- Tool provides the capability to used the explosive force energy of existing distraction devices for forced breaching applications without having to resort to explosive breaching training, storage and certification requirements.

B. Documentation - Detailed Report on Diversionary Device Munitions Use.

- 1. Justification for use of Distraction Device Breaching Tool.
- 2. Actual deployment results.
- 3. Compliance with Policy and Procedure.
- 4. Medical treatment requirement/clearances.
- 5. Photographic evidence/documentation.
- 6. Inclusion in incident report.

C. Medical Treatment Policy.

- 1. On-scene evaluation.
- 2. Medical facility clearance.

8. Instructional Techniques.

A. The instructor and the training environment.

- General characteristics of quality training.
- 2. General characteristics of inefficient training.
- B. Adult learner expectations.
- C. Attitudes and personalities in the classroom.
- D. How humans learn.
 - 1. Senses.
 - 2. Perceptions.

E. Characteristics of a good instructor.

- 1. Enthusiastic and committed.
- 2. Well versed in topic.
- 3. Knowledgeable about the learning process.
- 4. Proficient and organized in the preparation of classes and lesson plans.
- 5. Skillful in delivering the message/"Getting the Message Across".
- 6. Goal oriented approach of training.
- 7. Uses training aids effectively.
- 8. Receptive to new and unique techniques.
- 9. Perceptive/supportive of student needs.

10. Open to critiques, evaluations and feedback.

F. Four Steps of Instruction.

- 1. Introduction.
- 2. Presentation.
- 3. Application.
- 4. Test/verification.

9. Proficiency Requirement.

A. Written test.

- 1. 90% passing score.
- 2. Review test/remediate with students.

B. Practical application test.

- 1. Equipment set up for door breaching/distraction device/chemical agent and window breaching applications.
- 2. Tactical placement of Distraction Device Breaching Tool for each application.
- 3. Safety procedures for training and mission executions deployment.

10. Class conclusion.

- A. Training site clean up.
- B. Service and store all tools and Distraction Devices.
- C. Course evaluations.
- D. Certificate of Completion.