

Oroville Police Department

4 Hour

Less Lethal Weapons Course Update

12 Gauge Less Lethal Shotgun

37mm / 40 mm Launcher(s)

Instructor: Sergeant Deal

Expanded Course Outline

I. Introduction/Registration

A. Registration

1. Departmental Paperwork
2. POST paperwork

B. Safety Guidelines

1. Equipment
2. First aid

C. Introduction

1. Instructors / Students
2. Course overview
3. Safety guidelines

II. Less Lethal Weapons and Munitions for Operations

A. Define Less Lethal Force & Less Lethal Munitions

1. Blunt trauma (speed plus mass)
2. Probability of death exists

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

III. Medical

A. Medical Considerations

1. Risk of negative effect on heart
2. Breathing
3. Involuntary reflexes

B. Subject Risk Factors

1. Physiologic or metabolic effects
2. High risk population

IV. Legal Considerations

A. Legal Aspects

1. Users must be trained
2. Anticipate testifying over use
3. Be within Department Policy

B. Case Law

1. Tennessee v. Garner
2. Graham v. Connor

B. Department Policy

1. Use of force policy
2. Electronic weapons policy

V. Deployment

A. Pre-deployment

1. Tactical Considerations

- a. Distance & Cover
- b. Lighting
- c. Threat suspect poses to self & others
- d. Use of cover officer

2. Communication/contact-cover
3. Deadly force cover considerations

B. Deployment

1. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
2. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
3. Communications

C. Post-deployment

1. Medical assessment for subject or officers
2. Supervisor notification

D. Documentation

1. Independent witnesses
2. Documentation of the facts (injuries, medical care, etc.)
3. Data downloads
4. Audio, video, etc.

VI. Competency & Testing

A. Demonstrate Competency

1. Students will utilize four (4) rounds to strike target in preferred target areas from 15-yard line.

B. Written Test

1. Students complete written test on material covered
2. Remediation provided for any student that fails.