Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program

Mobile Team Unit 15

Training Announcement

Name of Training	Class ID#	Course ID#
Red Dot Pistol Course for Instructors	**201179**	**48206**

Date(s) of Training	Time	Hours	Location
July 6 – 7, 2027	**8:30 - 4:30**	**16**	**Carbondale Police Range 105 S. Bigler Rd. Carbondale**

Course Description

This course is intended for current Police Firearms Instructors to learn how to teach their officers the principles and proper operation of the Miniature Red Dot Systems (MRDS) for their duty pistols. Instructors will learn how to teach their officers to become familiar with the MRDS and how to zero it. Instructors will also be able to teach their officers how to find the dot upon presentation, how to track the dot under recoil, and how to address dot specific malfunctions. The practical range training will be set up in a "coach/ student" platform so each instructor will have multiple opportunities to teach their fellow instructors the course objectives. Instructors will learn the pros and cons of having the MRDS on duty weapons and the benefits of having department policies for the MRDS. This class is very hands-on, and instructors will be expected to pass the written test and the practical test with a 90% minimum score.

Students attending this class must be current Police Firearms Instructors. It is preferred that the student has already attended the Introduction to Red Dot class, but is not a requirement.

Course Objectives: Be able to teach the following:

- Understand MRDS nomenclature.
- Understand maintenance of MRDS system.
- Find the dot / Track the dot.
- Understand zero and holdover of MRDS.
- Understand setting up an MRDS pistol.
- Differentiate between red dot & iron sights.
- Understand MRDS malfunctions and fixes.
- Successfully pass the qualification exam.

Instructor

MTU 15 Assistant Director, Doug Wilson, has over 24 years of police experience. Doug is an Active Threat Master Instructor, Firearms Instructor, Red Dot Pistol Instructor, Use of Force Instructor, EEVOC Instructor, TASER Instructor and has been a supervisor, FTO, and Special Response Team member/ sniper. Doug's goal is to teach police officers to become "Thinker Fighters".

MTU 15 Police Training Specialist, Justin Spencer, has over 23 years of law enforcement experience. Justin has served both as a training officer and supervisor within his department. Justin is a certified instructor in: Police Firearms, Patrol Rifle, Red Dot Pistol, Taser, Integrated Force Options Control Tactics, Stop the Bleed, MILO Range Simulator, and Use of Force. Justin has been certified as an Illinois Active Threat Master Instructor.

Required Equipment

- 800 rounds of factory ammunition
- Eye and ear protection
- Full duty belt and proper holster to accommodate the MRDS
- Permanent marker
- Sight adjustment tool for your optic.
- Duty handgun with MRDS optic (Loaner guns will be available if needed)
  Must be of a design that allows for co-witnessing with the mechanical ("iron") sights on the handgun.

Mandates Met by This Training

This course has been approved by ILETSB for the following mandates: *Emergency Medical Response Training; De-escalation Techniques; Officer Safety Techniques, including cover, concealment, and time*

This class is partially funded and certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board