

The Department of Public Safety Training Academy is hosting a handgun, shotgun, and patrol rifle Firearms Instructor Course, sponsored by the Alaska Police Standards Council, the Department of Public Safety Training Academy & the Alaska State Troopers

September 28—October 6, 2015

Located at the Department of Public Safety Training Academy in Sitka, AK

Class will run from approximately 0800-1700 hours each day. This course is taught in accordance with the Department of Public Safety Training Academy handgun, shotgun and patrol rifle manuals. Scores of 75% or greater on a written test and qualification course of fire are required for APSC certification. Scores of 90% or greater on a written test and qualification course of fire are required for Department of Public Safety certification.

Due to the generous support from APSC, the cost for this training is only \$975.00, which includes food, lodging, and ammunition. Additionally, the first 15 registrants will receive a set of electronic hearing protection and electronic shot timers. Transportation will be provided from the airport to the DPS Academy. There is no need to rent a vehicle.

Contact Corporal Eric Spitzer at eric.spitzer@alaska.gov for registration or more information. Class size is limited to 20 students.

Equipment Requirements:

- Semi-automatic magazine-fed rifle suitable for police use. (AR-15 platform is most common) and at least three reliable magazines (20 round or greater capacity). The DPS Academy will have a limited supply of patrol rifles available for student training, if needed.
- Duty belt, with duty sidearm
- Police shotgun with side saddle. The Remington 870 is the most common. The DPS Academy will have a limited supply of duty shotguns available for student training.
- Body armor
- Eye and ear protection, ball cap, and foul weather gear.
- Hand-held flashlight
- Warm weather gear
- Police uniform or BDUs (511 style cargo pants)

Optional:

- Supplemental armor (plate carrier with rifle plates)
- Chest rig or other ammunition support system
- Ballistic helmet
- Shooting gloves, Knee & elbow pads
- Rifle optic, Weapon -mounted flashlight

This is not a basic firearms proficiency class. Each student should be competent enough with their handgun to consistently score 75% (180) or higher on the DPS handgun qualification course prior to attending this training.

DPS Instructors must consistently score 90% (216) or higher on the DPS handgun qualification course prior to attending this training.

Please make time to do some dry practice and some live fire practice prior to this course. Each student is required to submit a picture of their supervised handgun qualification score **within 10 days prior to the start of our class.**

If you do not have access to a firearms instructor who can run the supervised cold qualification within the 10 day window prior to our class, then you may have your supervisor observe the cold qual.

During our course we will conduct at least two separate skills assessment tests in the form of cold qualifications with our handgun. Each instructor must shoot 180 or better to pass this course to receive APSC certification and 216 or better to receive DPS certification.

Prerequisites for DPS Training Academy Firearms Instructor class:

1. For APSC Firearms Instructor applicants, demonstrate your proficiency with the handgun by shooting 75% (180) on the DPS handgun qualification course. A copy of the DPS handgun qualification course will be provided upon request. Scores of 90% (216) or greater on the DPS handgun qualification course of fire is required for DPS Firearms Instructor applicants.
2. The class will be taught using the DPS pistol, shotgun and patrol rifle manuals. Students that do not have the DPS firearms manuals will be given a copy upon request. Before arriving for firearms instructor training, each student must be familiar with all three DPS firearms manuals.
3. All APSC certified firearms instructors must complete a method of instruction (MOI) class and a firearms instructor class to be eligible for APSC instructor certification. If you have not attended MOI prior to attending our firearms instructor class we strongly recommend you attend MOI within six months of completing our firearms instructor class.

Students planning on attending need to arrive in Sitka, on Sunday, September 27, 2015, and depart Sitka no earlier than 1600 on Tuesday, October 6, 2015. (Alaska Airlines Flight 67 to Anchorage departs Sitka at 1819 hours, on Tuesday, October 6, 2015)