

LE ONLY- Active Shooter Instructor

The Active Shooter Response Instructor Course is designed to prepare current and prospective agency firearms instructors to develop or enhance comprehensive training programs for their officers. This course emphasizes lessons learned from prior incidents and incorporates the current solo-officer response and team tactics. Upon completion, participants will be equipped with the knowledge and resources required to implement agency-specific active shooter response programs and to train officers in both solo and team-based operations.

Police agencies must prioritize active shooter training because the threat landscape continues to evolve, demanding immediate, decisive, and coordinated responses. Incidents such as those at Columbine High School, Sandy Hook Elementary School, and Robb Elementary School have demonstrated that the first officers on scene are often the only line of defense during the most critical moments. Lives are saved or lost in minutes—sometimes seconds.

Active shooter training prepares officers to move beyond traditional perimeter and containment tactics, emphasizing rapid deployment, solo and team entry, threat discrimination, interagency coordination, medical integration, and communication under extreme stress. It builds confidence, reinforces sound decision-making, and reduces hesitation in chaotic environments.

Equally important, realistic and recurring training strengthens command-level leadership, clarifies policy application, and exposes operational gaps before they surface in real-world crises. Agencies that invest in comprehensive active shooter training not only enhance officer readiness but also demonstrate a commitment to community safety, accountability, and professional excellence.

In today's environment, active shooter preparedness is not optional—it is an operational necessity.

Agenda:

- Formulating a plan
- Search and rescue tactics
- Entering the warm zone
- How to establish a casualty collection point
- Link up procedures
- Mechanical breaching
- Threat analysis/on-scene intelligence
- Hallway movement
- Stairwell clearance
- Cornering and intersection clearance
- Room entry and clearing techniques
- Team movements
- 1, 2, 3, and 4-man team movement
- Developing an active shooter training plan for your first responders
- Equipment selection i.e., plate carriers, helmets, gas mask