#### **Less Lethal Munitions**

### **MONTEREY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (6730)**

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### COURSE OBJECTIVES:

This course will provide law enforcement personnel with information and hands-on experience needed to effectively use Less Lethal Weapons. The instruction covers Less Lethal Shotgun, 40mm, FN-303, and OCV grenades. This course provides updated legislative content of Penal Code Section 835a.

The course consists of hands-on/practical skills as well as policies and legal issues on the topic of Less Lethal munitions training for in-service Law Enforcement.

- I. Introduction
  - A. Instructors
  - B. Students
  - C. Course Objectives
    - 1. Familiarize students with the capabilities, limitations and purpose of less lethal launchers
    - 2. Familiarize students with the capabilities, limitation and purpose of less lethal shotguns
  - D. Safety Guidelines/Orientation
- II. Legal Considerations
  - A. Use of Force Considerations
    - 1. Penal Code 835a
    - 2. Scott v. Heinrich (9<sup>th</sup> Circuit 1994)
  - B. Legal Issues
    - 1. Tennessee v. Garner
    - 2. Graham v. Conner
  - C. Department Policy
  - D. Moral Obligations
  - E. Update new laws pertaining to use of Less Lethal Launchers and Munitions
- III. Less Lethal Launchers
  - A. Nomenclature
  - B. Weapon Operation
    - 1. Loading

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- 2. Unloading
- 3. Proper clearing procedures
- 4. Sight alignment
- 5. Trigger Control
- C. Ammunition Options
- IV. Less Lethal Shotguns
  - A. Nomenclature
  - B. Weapons Operation
    - 1. Loading
    - 2. Unloading
    - 3. Proper clearing procedures
    - 4. Sight alignment
    - 5. Trigger Control
  - C. Ammunition Options
- V. 40mm
  - A. Nomenclature
  - B. Weapons Operation
    - 1. Loading
    - 2. Unloading
    - 3. Proper clearing procedures
    - 4. Sight alignment
    - 5. Trigger Control
  - C. Ammunition Options
- VI. FN-303
  - A. Nomenclature
  - B. Weapons Operation
    - 1. Loading
    - 2. Unloading
    - 3. Proper clearing procedures
    - 4. Sight alignment
    - 5. Trigger Control
  - C. Ammunition Options
- VII. OC-Vapor Grenades
  - A. Nomenclature
  - B. Weapons Operation
    - 1. Prepping
    - 2. Priming

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- 3. Munition Orientation
- 4. Left and Right hand Deployment
- VIII. Practical Applications
  - A. Judgement and Decision Making Scenarios
    - a. Less Lethal Scenario
      - i. Using decision making targets, the student will choose to deploy a less lethal option
      - ii. Instructor/Student scenario review
    - b. Lethal Scenario
      - i. Using decision making targets, the student will choose to deploy a lethal option
      - ii. Instructor/Student scenario review
  - B. Student Evaluations and Testing
    - a. Live Fire Qualifications
    - b. Accuracy Analysis
    - c. Evaluations
  - C. Conclusions and clean up