Less Lethal Munitions

MONTEREY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (6730)

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COURSE OBJECTIVES:

This course will provide law enforcement personnel with information 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 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 (9th 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
 - 2. Unloading

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- 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
 - 3. Munition Orientation

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- 4. Left and Right hand Deployment
- VIII. Conclusions and clean up.