



Basic SWAT School

The staff at NASTA has developed a tactical school curriculum that will serve all law enforcement officers, the tactical officer, and/or tactical team. Within this 40-hour block of training, the NASTA instructors will evaluate and then improve upon the skills of each student, as they pertain to SWAT techniques. We are committed to the building block approach to training; each class will build upon the previous subject matter.

1ST DAY	2ND DAY	3RD DAY	4TH DAY
8:00AM 6:00PM	8:00AM 6:00PM	8:00AM 6:00PM	8:00AM 6:00PM
8:00AM Team Assignments	8:00AM Tactical Firearms	8:00AM Principles of Dynamic Entry (classroom)	8:00AM Dynamic Entry
8:30AM The Evolution of SWAT	Timed Shooting	Briefings	Realistic Scenarios
9:30AM Tactical Firearms	Reloading Drills Movement Shooting	Missions	
12:00 Noon Lunch	12:00 Noon Lunch	12:00 Noon Lunch	12:00 Noon Lunch
1:00PM Room Clearing Techniques (classroom and practicals)	1:00PM The Effects of Being Involved in a Police Shooting	1:00PM First Responder to Hostage/Barricade Situations	1:00PM Briefing and Execution of a Search Warrant
	2:00PM Proactive Tactical Operations	2:00PM Briefings and Walk Throughs	3:00PM Obstacle Course
	3:00PM Scouting (classroom and practicals)		5:30PM Debriefing, Critiques and Certificates

The Evolution of SWAT- This is a one-hour PowerPoint presentation that explores the birth of SWAT teams in the United States, and revisits many events that had direct influence on the formation of SWAT Teams. It is very important for us to know where we came from to help us understand where we are going.

Tactical Firearms- Officers will fire the PPC course for score. They will receive basic firearms instruction, as a group and individually, prior to shooting the course again. Individualized instruction will be offered again, prior to shooting the course a third time. We have found, throughout the years that the average score for the entire class rises dramatically.

Room Clearing Techniques Classroom and Practicals- The classroom phase of this course is given as a PowerPoint presentation. It emphasizes techniques necessary to enter and search buildings and rooms. Practicals will be conducted for several hours to ensure each student has the opportunity to practice all techniques.

Tactical Firearms- Timed shooting, reloading drills, and movement shooting will be explained, practiced, and repeated numerous times.

The Effects of Being Involved in a Shooting- This is a PowerPoint presentation that discusses the dynamics of a Police involved shooting. This is not only information needed to deal with it administratively but the physiological considerations also.

Proactive Tactical Operations- What missions are appropriate for Tactical Teams?

Scouting Classroom and Practicals- The students will be instructed in the proper scouting techniques. They will be taught to “paint a picture” of the structure and its surroundings so that their team members will be able to visualize the setting, prior to their arrival.

Principles of Dynamic Entries- This PowerPoint presentation will teach the student the complexities of a forced entry. We will discuss briefings, tactics, the mission, and debriefings. The instructors will lead a formal briefing to illustrate the complex tasks that must be accomplished.

Student Briefings and Walk Throughs- The students will perform mission briefings and execute the mission plans, while receiving systematic instructions.

Dynamic Entry- Hours will be devoted to practice scenarios, involving dynamic entries. We recognize the importance of this technique, as it pertains to narcotic raids, but even more so, as it pertains to hostage rescue situations.

First Responder to Hostage/Barricade Situations- This is a PowerPoint presentation on dealing with a barricaded person before tactical teams arrive.

Obstacle Course- This course will test the physical abilities of the individual officer, but, more importantly, it forces officers to work together as a team. Developing a team concept is an absolute necessity for all tactical team members.

Debriefing, Critique and Certificates- As in every mission, a proper debriefing will be necessary. We will answer questions, and solicit suggestions on how to improve our school. We will wrap up the week by passing out certificates.