OFFICER VIRTUAL ACADEMY COURSE SYLLABUS: Control & Search Protocols



Course Location:

This is a virtual course, offered online only and available to registered users of the Officer Virtual Academy at all times.

Instructor Information:

Lt. Frank Borelli - LE Instructor / Editorial Director

With over 35 years of operational experience and more than 30 years of instructional experience, Lt. Borelli has taught programs involving firearms, defensive tactics, officer survival, active shooter response and more to officers from all levels of government to include city, county, state, federal and military. He remains active in law enforcement, continually training and being trained to keep his skills up to date and sharp.

Sgt. Richard Nance – LE Instructor / SWAT experience / TV personality Richard Nance is a veteran police officer and former SWAT team leader. He is the co-owner of WARTAC, a company that provides training in firearms, tactics, and personal defense. Nance cohosts Handguns & Defensive Weapons, a new television series on the Sportsman Channel.

Course Description:

In this course, Instructors Borelli and Nance discuss the plethora of concerns regarding searching a subject whether they are handcuffed or not, and (briefly) the necessary outlook when searching a person, vehicle and building. The "1+" rule is discussed and defined. Two control holds are discussed and demonstrated – the Rear Wrist Lock and the Twist Lock. Methods of securing weapons found during searches are also discussed with pros and cons for each option delineated.

Prerequisites:

There are no prerequisites for attending this program.

Course Sequencing:

This course is a personal-knowledge-only (no continuing education or in-service credits) program. Prior to viewing this program it's recommended that the student officer view/attend the following courses:

Boyd's Cycle Applied to Conflict Survival

General Defensive Tactics Introduction

Lethal Force Attack Defense

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Course Objectives:

- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to identify the strengths / weaknesses
 of the Rear Wrist Lock versus the Twist Lock
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to articulate the potential risks and dangers of searching an unsecured (not handcuffed) subject
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to articulate what the "1+" rule is and how it applies to searching people, vehicles or structures
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to articulate the imperativeness of expectation when performing a search
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to discuss the variety of methods for securing weapons found during the search of a subject

Course Materials:

Course Syllabus

Course Introduction

PDF Handout of PowerPoint Slide presentation

PowerPoint Show with information from course videos

Three course videos:

officer.com/11077067	5 minutes	Rear Wrist Lock & Twist Lock
officer.com/11303333	8 minutes	Proper Searching
officer.com/11318810	7 minutes	Securing Found Weapons

Additional Resources:

officer.com/11298241	Real Resolutions to Keep	(article)
officer.com/11486057	Sloppy Searches Kill Cops	(article)
officer.com/10250253	Who's Armed?	(article)
officer.com/10248804	Handling Suspicious Person Stops	(article)