

OFFICER VIRTUAL ACADEMY

COURSE SYLLABUS:

Countering Presented Handguns



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 preventing an opponent from drawing a weapon they have secreted on their person. Multiple methods of preventing the draw or delaying the draw are discussed and demonstrated. If the draw has already occurred or cannot be prevented and the opponent has the weapon, specifically a firearm, in hand, methods of taking that weapon away (assuming the opponent is within reach) are discussed and demonstrated.

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. It is recommended that the student officer view/attend the following courses before viewing this one:

Boyd's Cycle Applied to Conflict Survival

General Defensive Tactics Introduction

Lethal Force Attack Defense

In-Hand Handgun Retention

In-Holster Handgun Retention

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Course Objectives:

- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to articulate why the most common location for a “holstered” weapon on a combative subject is the front right side of the waistband.
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to articulate what the warning signals are for a pending attack.
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to articulate one option for preventing the opponent’s draw.
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to articulate the determining factors for whether a weapon take-away is attempted or not.
- Upon Completion, the student officer will be able to articulate / describe the demonstrated method for taking away an opponent’s drawn and presented weapon.

Course Materials:

Course Syllabus

Course Introduction

PDF Handout of PowerPoint Slide presentation

PowerPoint Show with information from course videos

Two course videos:

officer.com/11173839	5 minutes	Countering the Draw
officer.com/11018137	8 minutes	Weapon Take-Aways

Additional Resources:

officer.com/12147584	Officer Survival: Defending Gun Grabs	(article)
officer.com/11383002	Fight For Your Life	(article)
officer.com/10233838	Weapons, Weapons Everywhere	(article)
officer.com/10248484	Fighting in the Hole	(article)
officer.com/11376281	The Deadliest Distance	(article)