OFFICER VIRTUAL ACADEMY COURSE SYLLABUS: Evolution & Organization of Duty Gear



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 40 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.

Course Description:

This course of instruction

This is an online only (virtual) training course that familiarizes the student officer with recent history of duty gear as well as health, safety and security concerns of contemporary gear placement. Multiple gear platforms are discussed along with the pros and cons of duty gear placement.

The course includes a PowerPoint slide show that corresponds to the two training videos. The total viewing time for the videos is approximately 30 minutes broken down into two approximately equal segments. For viewer's reference there is also a downloadable PDF version of the PowerPoint presentation, perfect for use in taking notes. A course syllabus and extra reading resources are also included in the training materials.

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

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Course Objectives:

- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to identify safety concerns regarding carry positioning of the duty sidearm and the EMD/TASER tool.
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to identify health concerns regarding carrying duty items on the center back area of the duty belt.
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to identify the need for redundancy in duty tools, specifically flashlights and extra sidearm magazines.
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to identify concerns regarding the placement, use and evidentiary value of body worn cameras and footage.
- Upon completion, the student officer will be able to discuss concerns about strong side vs support side carry/placement of various tools.

Course Materials:

Course Syllabus

Course Introduction

PDF Handout of PowerPoint Slide presentation

PowerPoint Show with information from course videos

Additional Resources:

Articles:

https://www.officer.com/21275593	Duty Gear Trends	(article)
https://www.officer.com/21233786	Current Trends for LE Duty Gear	(article)
https://www.officer.com/21256034	Gear for Female LE Officers	(article)
https://www.officer.com/21096512	Consider the Patrol Car	(article)
https://www.officer.com/21074489	Q&A on Trends in LE Apparel	(article)

Podcasts:

<u>Law Enforcement Apparel – Over the Years & Today</u>

<u>Firearms & Accessories – What Works Best?</u>