

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

Stand Alone 7 – LD 35 Firearms

Session No. 33 – Shotgun Manipulations Test & POST Shotgun Day Basic Test

Hours: 3

LD 35 (RBC Calendar Location Week 17)

LOCATION: Range

TRAINING NEEDS: None

HANDOUTS: Shotgun Manipulations Test Score sheets

LD 35 VII.E1-5; VIII.E1-4

- I. TEST: Conduct the LAPD Shotgun Manipulations Test (LD 35 VIII.E1-4)**
- A. The student will participate in a learning activity to reinforce the ability to safely and effectively manipulate a shotgun. The activity shall minimally include techniques to:**
- 1. Open the shotgun action and check for rounds.**
 - 2. Inspect the functioning of the firing mechanism.**
 - 3. Load and unload the shotgun properly when a round has been chambered.**
 - 4. Load and unload the shotgun when no round is chambered and the weapon is cocked and un-cocked.**
- B. Distribute the Shotgun Manipulations Test Score sheets to each recruit and have them fill out the top portion with their name, serial number, class and date
- C. Each recruit will be tested individually by an instructor on the range. The instructor must be a Department certified Shotgun Instructor Training School (SITS) instructor in order to administer the test. The test is not a live-fire test.
- D. Recruits will wait as a group off the range and wait to be called onto the range by an individual instructor to take the manipulations test. When the recruit has finished the test, they will exit the range and send the next recruit waiting onto the range to the available instructor.
- E. The recruit must receive a minimum score of 70% in order to pass the test.
- F. Once all of the recruits have completed the testing process, the primary instructor will bring all of the recruits onto the range to pick up all the shotgun dummy round and put them into the bucket.
- G. Distribute 25 duty buckshot rounds to each recruit.
- H. Conduct a sight-in drill of 4 rounds fired on one target from the 36 foot line. This will ensure that the sights are properly adjusted on each recruit's shotgun before they shoot the POST Shotgun Day Basic Test.

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II. TEST: Conduct the POST Shotgun Day Basic Test (LD 35 VII.E1-5)

An exercise test that requires the student to demonstrate competency in basic shotgun shooting principles using a shotgun, while wearing body armor and duty equipment, under daylight conditions on a basic course of fire.

The student is required to fire 20 rounds of service ammunition at multiple distances from 3 to 15 yards or greater, using a presenter approved shotgun, with acceptable accuracy standards and under time restrictions by the presenter.

The student is required to tactically load, unload and reload the shotgun and clear any malfunctions that may occur during the course of fire.

The student will demonstrate competency in the following performance dimensions:

1. Firearms Safety
2. Mechanical Functions
3. Manipulations
4. Basic Shooting Principles
5. Accuracy

- A. Instruct each recruit to place two clean targets in their lane and write their last name and serial number in the upper left corner of the paper target. They should not write on the brown cardboard.
- B. Ensure that each recruit has the 21 duty buckshot rounds in their support-side front pants pocket. They do not need to have a butt cuff installed on the shotgun for this test.
- C. Conduct the POST Shotgun Day Basic Test according to the following format:
 1. The POST Day Shotgun Basic Test consists of 20 rounds of duty buckshot, fired in two phases, and using two targets for each phase.
 2. The POST Day Shotgun Basic Test is described in the following chart, as well as in the LAPD Basic Firearms Training Manual, Appendix F.

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PHASE ONE

FOOT LINE	START	SEQUENCE	TIME	SHOOTING POSITION
30 feet	Low ready	5 body shots	15 seconds	Off-hand
36 feet	Low ready	3 body shots	10 seconds	Off-hand
45 feet	Low ready	2 body shots	8 seconds	Off-hand

PHASE TWO

FOOT LINE	START	SEQUENCE	TIME	SHOOTING POSITION
21 feet	Low ready	5 body shots	12 seconds	Off-hand
9 feet	Low ready	5 body shots	8 seconds	Off-hand

D. SCORING

1. The POST Day Basic Shotgun Test consists of 20 rounds total in 2 phases. Each phase (10 rounds per phase) is fired on two silhouette targets with a maximum of 45 pellet hits on each target. Each pellet is individually counted as a scoring hit when it strikes in the 8, 9 and 10 ring. The maximum score on each target is 45 points, for a total of 90 points combined per phase. The minimum score required to qualify for the Shotgun Day Basic Test is 70% or 63 (-27) points combined total on both targets per phase. The Shotgun Night Basic Test is reduced to 60% or 54 (-36) points combined total on both targets per phase. There is no minimum required score on just one target.
 2. Procedures: The grounds for disqualification, malfunctions, and alibis are the same as the POST Pistol Basic Test.
 3. Primary instructors should avoid running the test in the tower or scoring the targets if feasible.
 4. After completing Phase One, have the instructors score the targets.
 5. Then have the recruits replace the targets with clean ones for use during Phase Two.
- E. Upon completion of the test, instruct the recruits to move back to the 30 foot line, face downrange, verify the condition of the shotgun and place the shotgun on the ground.
- F. Dismiss the recruits from the range while the instructors score the targets.
- G. With any time remaining, conduct drills to practice the POST Shotgun Day Combat Test, which will be conducted during their next firearms session. The recruits can fire on the test targets that are still in the frames.
- H. At the conclusion of the session, have the recruits return the shotguns to the rack and clean up the range.