# LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT Stand Alone 7 – LD 35 Firearms Session No. 37 – POST Shotgun Night Basic Test

Hours: 4

LD 35 (RBC Calendar Location Day Weeks 19-22 – Night 3 of 4 in Night Rotations)

LOCATION: Range

TRAINING NEEDS: None

HANDOUTS: None

#### LD 35 VII.F1-6

#### I. Night Three of Four - Nighttime Firearms Training and Testing

- A. Review All Shotgun Manipulations
  - 1. Use the Shotgun Manipulations Test form as a guide.
  - 2. Refer to the LAPD Basic Firearms Manual, Shotgun Chapters 3, 4, 5, and 6 for the specific manipulations procedures.
- B. Review Shotgun Slinging techniques
  - 1. Primary-side, muzzle-up and climbing carry.
  - 2. Support-side, muzzle-down and climbing carry.
  - 3. Refer to the LAPD Basic Firearms Manual, Shotgun Chapter 7 for the specific slinging procedures.
- C. Demonstrate Shotgun Lighting techniques
  - 1. Utilize the handheld flashlight.
  - 2. Refer to the LAPD Basic Firearms Manual, Shotgun Chapter 8 for the specific flashlight techniques.
- D. Live-fire range drills: Shotgun Night Basic Course Training
  - 1. Instruct the recruits that they will be slinging the shotgun during this session as much as possible in order to get used to carrying a shotgun.
  - Instruct the recruits that they will be firing slow-fire drills on the right target and timedfire drills on the left target.
  - 3. The recruits will utilize their butt cuffs to carry and load ammunition from during this training, even though the butt cuff is not required for the Shotgun Basic Test.
  - 4. Practice Phase One, stage 1 at the 30 foot line.
    - a. Load 5 rounds and fire 5 body shots slow-fire on the right target
    - b. Load 5 rounds and fire 5 body shots in 15 seconds on the left target.
    - c. Compare the two targets and then move the recruits back to the 36 foot line.

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- 5. Practice Phase One, stage 2 at the 36 foot line.
  - a. Load 5 rounds and fire 3 body shots slow fire on the right target.
  - b. Conduct a tactical reload with 3 rounds
  - c. Fire 3 body shots in 10 seconds on the left target.
  - d. Conduct a tactical reload with 2 rounds.
  - e. Compare the two targets and then move the recruits back to the 45 foot line.
- 6. Practice Phase One, stage 3 at the 45 foot line. The shotgun is loaded with 4 rounds.
  - a. Fire 2 body shots slow fire on the right target.
  - b. Fire 2 body shots in 8 seconds on the left target.
  - c. Unload the shotguns and ensure that all shotguns are unloaded and safe.
  - d. Compare the two targets and then replace all the targets with clean targets.
- 7. Practice Phase Two, stage 1 at the 21 foot line.
  - a. Load 5 rounds and fire 5 body shots in 12 seconds on the right target.
  - b. Visually review the target and then move the recruits to the 9 foot line.
- 8. Practice Phase Two, stage 2 at the 9 foot line.
  - a. Load 5 rounds and fire 5 body shots in 8 seconds on the left target.
  - b. Unload the shotguns and ensure that all shotguns are unloaded and safe.
  - c. Instruct the recruits to move back to the 30 foot line, face downrange and safely place their shotguns on the ground.
  - d. Instruct the recruits to mark two sets of silhouette targets with their names and serial number in preparation for the Shotgun Night Basic Test. Have them place the first set of targets in their target frames.
- 9. Give the recruits a short break.

#### II. TEST: Conduct the POST Shotgun Night Basic Test

A. 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 low light/night time conditions (for outdoor ranges testing must be done during the hours of darkness as defined in Vehicle Code Section 280) 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 established by the presenter.

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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. Flashlight/Lighting System/Existing Light
- 6. Accuracy (LD35 VII.F1-6)
- B. The course of fire is similar to the POST Shotgun Day Basic Test.
- C. The lighting is adjusted to low-light level, with rows 1, 2, and 4 dimmed and row 3 is completely off.
- D. The grounds for disqualification, malfunctions, and alibis are the same as the Shotgun Day Basic Test.
- E. Refer to the LAPD Basic Firearms Manual, Appendix F for the specifics on the course of fire for the POST Shotgun Night Basic Test.
- F. The minimum score required to pass the POST Shotgun Night Basic test is 60% or 54 points combined on both targets per phase. There is no minimum score required for an individual target.
- G. When all of the testing is completed, have the recruits clean up the range.
- H. Debrief the test with the recruits and give them their scores.
- I. Remind the recruits that tomorrow night they will take the POST Shotgun Night Combat Test.
- J. Also remind the recruits to leave the training facility grounds as a group.

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