

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
Rifle Marksmanship and Sniper Update
Expanded Course Outline

Prerequisite: Students must have successfully completed the 40-hour Rifle Marksmanship and Sniper Course (1850-23024) prior to attending the Rifle Marksmanship and Sniper Update.

Performance Objectives: Using lecture and learning activities, the student will:

- Be able to successfully complete the sniper qualification course.
- Be able to effectively determine distance.
- Be able to effectively determine environmental conditions and effects.
- Be able to utilize a ballistic calculator.
- Be able to assess threats (shoot / no shoot).
- Be able to effectively communicate real time intelligence to the tactical team to attempt to de-escalate the incident.
- Be able to successfully complete a live-fire stress drill.

I. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

(60 min)

- A. Introduction of Instructor(s)
 - 1. Name, assignment
 - 2. Experience
- B. Overview block of training
 - 1. Sniper Cadre member assigned or guest instructor
 - 2. Instructor discussion of range safety rules, basic firearms safety rules, and verification of instructor / student ratio
 - 3. Complete sniper qualification course
 - 3. Sniper updates and de-brief of recent deployments
 - 4. Sniper instruction pertaining to performance objectives
 - 5. Verbal and / or physical testing of performance objectives
 - 6. Complete live-fire stress drill

II. SNIPER INSTRUCTOR

(60 min)

Purpose: To gain current information regarding developments and trends in sniper community

Procedure: Large group discussion and activity

- A. Instructor / subject matter resource
 - 1. Facilitate a group discussion regarding his/her area of expertise as it pertains to the performance objectives
 - 2. Debrief the presentation
- B. Question and Answers

III. SNIPER TEAM UPDATES

(60 min)

- A. Time keeping issues
 - 1. Roster
 - 2. Qualification sheet

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- B. Sniper deployment quarterly debrief
 - 1. Identify the key points
 - 2. Clarify areas that additional training would be beneficial
 - 3. Lessons learned

IV. SNIPER OBJECTIVES REVIEW

(180 mins)

A. LEARNING ACTIVITY: Sniper live-fire stress drill

Purpose: To demonstrate proficiency in the performance objectives

Procedure: Live-fire stress drill

- 1. The individual sniper must utilize the performance objectives to successfully complete the live-fire stress drill
 - 2. The individual sniper must be able to articulate his / her actions.
- B. Closing: Reinforce key learning points
 - 1. It is vital to practice the skills covered in this course because they are perishable
 - 2. Snipers need to stay up to date on the current trends in the sniper community to be effective
 - 3. The live-fire stress course is based on actual or realistic incidents
 - 4. The debrief is important to reinforce skill acquisition
- C. Training concludes