

**LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
MASS-VIOLENCE TACTICAL RESPONSE
POST ID 1850-28008
Expanded Course Outline**

Instructional Goal: To review the student's basic skills in MACTAC principles and IARD tactics, to recognize potential indicators of a MACTAC incident, to demonstrate proficiency in the ability to immediately deploy as a contact team or squad with the capability to locate and neutralize violent assaults and/or terrorist acts, and to demonstrate Tactical Medical (TAC-MED) care for victims of violence.

Prerequisites: Student must be a "Full Duty" field certified law enforcement officer to attend MVTR

Performance Objectives: Using group activities and discussions, drills and practical application scenarios, the student will:

- ❑ Demonstrate a working knowledge of MACTAC principles and IARD tactics through practical application scenarios
- ❑ Perform Contact Team Mission Tactics
- ❑ Demonstrate how to read and tactically respond to open air and interior terrains
- ❑ Know and understand how to utilize the four A's: Assess, Announce, Assemble and Act in field situations.
- ❑ Demonstrate basic TAC-MED care and tourniquet application
- ❑ Demonstrate an understanding of the Rescue Task Force mission, Rescue Team mission, deploying with Fire Department personnel, and establishing a Unified Command for purposes of rendering aid.
- ❑ Demonstrate an understanding of how our Department's guiding value of Reverence for Human Life as the moral and ethical foundation of de-escalation, tactics, reasonable force, and Officer safety.

References: Instructors, facilitators and training supervisors shall ensure that the most current references are utilized.

This course provides updated legislative content of Penal Code Section 835a

**I. MASS-VIOLENCE TACTICAL RESPONSE AND TRAUMA CARE INTRODUCTION
(120 Min)**

A. Introduction

1. Training Cadre instructors
2. Overview of Safety Plan
3. Overview of training schedule
4. Historical overview of MACTAC
5. Defining and understanding MACTAC, IARD, RT, AND RTF
6. Importance of preparedness for a MACTAC event

B. Use of Force Review¹

¹ Department Manual Section 1/556.10, Policy on the Use of Force

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1. California Penal Code section 835(a)² As set forth below, it is the intent of the Legislature that peace officers use deadly force only when necessary in defense of human life. In determining whether deadly force is necessary, officers shall evaluate each situation in light of the particular circumstances of each case and shall use other available resources and techniques if reasonably safe and feasible to an objectively reasonable officer.
 - a. The totality of the circumstances
 - b. That individuals with physical, mental health, developmental, or intellectual disabilities are significantly more likely to experience greater levels of physical force during police interactions, as their disability may affect their ability to understand or comply with commands from peace officers. It is estimated that individuals with disabilities are involved in between one-third and one-half of all fatal encounters with law enforcement.
 - c. Totality of the circumstances, that such force is necessary
 - d. Any peace officer who has reasonable cause to believe that the person to be arrested has committed a public offense may use reasonable force to;
 - i. Effect the arrest
 - ii. Prevent escape
 - iii. Overcome resistance
 - iv. Only reasonable force may be used
2. Less-Lethal
 - a. Understanding and applying the current policy **(PSP V a, b, c, d, e, f, g)**
 - b. Students discuss less-lethal options (optimal distances) **(PSP IV a, i) (PSP V a, b, c, d, e)**
 - i. Electronic control device
 - ii. Oleoresin capsicum (OC spray)
 - iii. Beanbag shotgun
 - iv. 40mm less-lethal launcher
 - v. Impact Devices and Strikes
 - c. Officer(s) advise each other of the deployment of Less-Lethal using proper announcement **(PSP IV a, h) (PSP V c, e)**
 - d. Officers verbalize commands to suspect when feasible **(PSP IV h)**
3. Deadly Force **(PSP V a, b, c, d, e)**
 - a. Understanding updated Deadly Force Policy
 - b. Legal implications of using deadly force without attempting to de-escalate (AB 392)³
4. Designated Cover Officer (DCO) **(PSP IV a, h) (PSP V c, e)**
 - a. Reduces possibility of excessive amounts of lethal force
 - b. Ensure deployment of less-lethal options
 - c. Reduces excessive amounts of lethal force being deployed

² California Penal Code Section 835a

³ STATE OF CALIFORNIA, LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: AB 392 (Weber) Peace Officers: Deadly Force

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C. Tactical De-escalation Review⁴

Purpose: Instructors review the following points and demonstrate understanding of definitions through large group activity and discussion

1. Tactical De-escalation defined
2. Instructor will facilitate class discussion on each of the letters of the **P.A.T.R.O.L** acronym (**PSP IV i**) (**PSP V c, g**)
 - a. **Planning (PSP IV a, h)**
 - b. **Assessment (PSP IV a, d)**
 - c. **Time (PSP IV b)**
 - d. **Redeployment and/or containment (PSP IV a, h)**
 - e. **Other resources (PSP IV a, c, h)**
 - f. **Lines of communication (PSP IV a, b, c, d, e, f, h)**
3. Techniques to gain voluntary compliance (**PSP V a, c, e**)
 - a. Verbal and non-verbal communication to suspect/subject
 - b. Defusing tense situations

D. Command and Control Review⁵

Purpose: Instructors review the following points and demonstrate understanding of definitions through large group activity and discussion

1. Incident Commander (IC)
 - a. Effectively establishing command and control through active leadership
 - b. Delegating roles/responsibilities (**PSP V c, e**)
 - c. Developing and implementing a plan of action
2. Individual/Responding Officer's Responsibilities
 - a. Officers must be responsive to the IC's direction and orders (**PSP IV h**)
 - b. Looking for work – DCO, Less-Lethal, Arrest Team, Contact Team, RT, RTF (**PSP V c, e, g**)
3. Incident Command System (ICS)
 - a. Primary tool used by the Department to implement command and control
 - b. Implementing ICS during MACTAC / IARD incidents
 - c. Unified Command definition and function

E. Procedural Justice⁶

Purpose: Instructors review the following points and demonstrate understanding of definitions through large group activity and discussion

1. Procedural Justice defined
2. Tenets of Procedural Justice
 - a. Trustworthiness
 - b. Respect
 - c. Neutrality
 - d. Voice

⁴ LAPD, Directive No. 16, TACTICAL DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES

⁵ LAPD Training Bulletin, Volume XLVII Issue 4, COMMAND AND CONTROL

⁶ LAPD Training Bulletin, Volume XLIX Issue x, CONTACTS WITH THE PUBLIC – PART II PROCEDURAL JUSTICE

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3. Officers discuss how to apply to victims /witnesses **(PSP IV h, i)**
4. Officers discuss how to and the benefits of de-briefing victims/witnesses to gain tactical information **(PSP IV a, d, e)**

F. Multi-Assault Counter Terrorism Action Capabilities (MACTAC)⁷

Purpose: Instructors review the following points and demonstrate understanding of definitions through large group activity and discussion

1. Criteria and definition
 - a. Management concept
 - b. Tactical response and coordination
2. Types of MACTAC events **(PSP IV i)**
 - a. Terrorist attack
 - b. Active shooter
 - c. Hostage siege
3. Need for active shooter and maneuvering under fire tactics **(PSP IV i) (PSP V c, d)**
4. Contact Teams **(PSP V c, g)**
 - a. Primary missions
 - i. Assault
 - ii. Support
 - iii. Security
 - b. Secondary missions
 - i. Rescue
 1. Rescue Teams
 2. Rescue Task Force (RTF)⁸
 - ii. Force protection
 - iii. Inner perimeter security
5. Team Movement
 - a. Bounding and overwatch
 - b. Travelling

G. Immediate Action / Rapid Deployment (IARD)^{9 10}

Purpose: Instructors review the following points and demonstrate understanding of definitions through large group activity and discussion

1. Criteria and definition
2. Key points of Immediate Action
3. Key points of Rapid Deployment

H. Tactical Medicine (TAC-MED)¹¹

Purpose: Instructors review the following points and demonstrate understanding of definitions through large group activity and discussion

⁷ LAPD, Directive No. 12, MULTI-ASSAULT COUNTER TERRORISM ACTION CAPABILITIES (MACTAC)

⁸ LAFD, Training Bulletin No. 135, FD OPERATIONS AT TACTICAL LE AND ACTIVE SHOOTER INCIDENTS

⁹ LAPD, Training Bulletin, Volume XXXV Issue 11, IMMEDIATE ACTION/RAPID DEPLOYMENT TACTICS PART I

¹⁰ LAPD, Training Bulletin, Volume XXXV Issue 12, IMMEDIATE ACTION/RAPID DEPLOYMENT TACTICS PART II

¹¹ LAPD, TACTICAL EMERGENCY FIRST-AID/TRAUMA CARE Course, ECO, POST ID # 1850-21772

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1. Definition of TAC-MED **(PSP V g)**
2. Tactical Considerations and Mission Objectives **(PSP V c, g)**
3. Self-Aid / Buddy-Aid **(PSP V d, g)**
 - a. Massive Hemorrhage from Extremity Wounds
 - b. Tension Pneumothorax
 - c. Airway Obstruction
4. Students demonstrate how to apply and test their ability with training Tourniquets **(PSP V g, h)**
 - a. Self-application **(PSP IV a, i)**
 - b. Applying on injured officer / victim **(PSP IV a, i)**

I. Prevention

Purpose: Instructors review the following points and demonstrate understanding of definitions through large group activity and discussion

1. Targeted Violence Defined
2. Field Encounters / Pre-incident Indicators
 - a. Whom and what to look for
 - b. Whom and what to ask **(PSP IV d, e)**
3. Notifications / What to do
 - a. Take some sort of action
 - b. Notify appropriate entity **(PSP IV d, e)**
 - i. Building a Case
 - ii. Exigent Circumstances

J. Review of Conventional Tactical Definitions

Purpose: Instructors review the following points and demonstrate understanding of definitions through large group activity and discussion **(PSP V c)**

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| 1. 4 "A's" | 9. Hostage Siege |
| a. Assess | 10. Immediate Action/Rapid Deployment (IARD) |
| b. Announce | 11. MACTAC |
| c. Assemble | 12. Rescue Task Force |
| d. Act | 13. Rescue Team |
| 2. 4 "C's" | 14. Tactical Emergency First-Aid/Trauma Care |
| a. Contain | 15. Targeted Violence |
| b. Control | 16. Terrorist Attack |
| c. Communicate | 17. Travelling |
| d. Coordinate | 18. Unified Command |
| 3. Active Shooter | 19. Zones |
| 4. Barricaded Suspect | a. Cold Zone |
| 5. Casualty Collection Point | b. Warm Zone |
| 6. Contact Team | c. Hot Zone |
| 7. Cover Fire | |
| 8. Hostage Situation | |

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II. SKILL SET DRILLS

(180 Min)

Purpose: Students will demonstrate an understanding of the following techniques in small groups

A. Safety Guidelines / Orientation Review

1. No live weapons (firearms, ammo, knives, batons, OC, tasers)
2. Illness and Injury Prevention Program (IIPP)
3. Rendering Aid / Obtaining Medical Assistance
4. Reporting Injuries
5. Site Safety / Security

Note: The instructors should modify the following Skill Set Drills as necessary based on the availability of resources, location of the training, number of instructors, number of students, and any other variables, to cover the content in the safest and most efficient way possible.

Procedure for Skill Set Drills: Group activity to introduce students to the following skill sets. Students will demonstrate an understanding of each concept through practical application scenarios.

B. Rescue Task Force (RTF) (PSP V c, g)

1. Formations
2. Movement
3. Casualty Collection Point (CCP)
4. Use of TAC-MED while down range
 - a. Self-Aid / Buddy-Aid (**PSP IV a, i**)
 - b. Tourniquet application (**PSP IV a, h, i**)

C. Open Air Maneuvering

1. Maneuver Techniques and Squad Formations (**PSP IV a, h, i**)
 - a. Buddy Teams concepts
 - b. Contact Teams
 - c. Squad movements
 - d. Bounding and overwatch
 - e. Traveling
 - f. Expanded diamond
2. Contact Team / Squad Missions (**PSP IV a, h, i**) (**PSP V c, g**)
 - a. Assault Mission
 - b. Support Mission
 - c. Security Mission
 - d. Rescue Mission
 - i. Rescue Contact Teams
 - ii. Rescue Task Force (RTF)
3. Cover / Concealment (**PSP IV a, h, i**)
 - a. Situational awareness
 - b. Terrain appreciation

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4. Communication **(PSP IV a, c, h, i)**
 - a. Verbal
 - iii. Moving
 - iv. Set
 - v. Hold
 - b. Non-Verbal
 - vi. Hold
 - vii. Cover
 - viii. Look
 - ix. Double time
 - x. Move out
 - xi. Suspect
 - xii. Take cover
 - xiii. Expanded diamond
 - xiv. Single file

D. Interior Maneuvering

1. When suspect(s) location is known **(PSP IV a, c, h, i)**
 - a. Moving to contact
 - b. 360-degree coverage
 - c. Hallways
 - d. Doors
 - e. Room clearing
2. When suspect(s) location is not known
 - a. Systematic search
 - b. 360-degree coverage
 - c. Hallways
 - d. Doors
 - e. Room clearing
3. Barricaded suspect
 - a. Assess if no longer active
 - b. Call SWAT
4. Squad size entry
 - a. Terrain/building size considerations
 - b. Multiple teams for specific mission

III. PRACTICAL APPLICATION SCENARIOS (180 Min)

Purpose: Students will demonstrate an understanding of the following techniques in small groups

Note: The instructors should modify the following Practical Application Scenarios as necessary based on the availability of resources, location of the training, number of instructors, number of students, and any other variables, to cover the content in the safest and most efficient way possible.

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Procedure for Practical Application Scenarios: Group exercises will test student's ability to properly respond to and assess larger scale Practical Application Scenarios utilizing the above concepts learned during the Skills Set Drills section.

A. Group Exercises (PSP IV a, b, c, d, e, h, i) (PSP V a, b, c, d, e, g, h)

1. Single Active Shooter Scenario
2. Multiple Threat / Active Shooter Scenario
3. TAC-MED care and Rescue Task Force

B. Closing

1. Debrief training
2. POST Roster / Critique

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