

# FOR WHOM ARE THESE CLASSES?

Rick Basagoitia – Firearms and Tactics Courses and Training

## MY COURSES ARE FOR BOTH CIVILIANS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT (LE)

Both require a mastery of the basic skills: gun handling, marksmanship, malfunctions, reloads, movement, use of cover, and medical. The contexts of skill application are the primary differences. Another big difference in the defensive application realm is that civilians should seek to avoid confrontations and be competent witnesses, while LE must move the sounds of the guns and insert themselves into these situations to defend others.

Tactics are just the problems solving skills that fit each of these contexts. For instance, a civilian caught in an active shooter situation needs to know how to move and use cover to get away from the problem. That may be in the context of being by themselves or with one or more family members or friends that they must protect in doing so. The LE response in this context is to get to the scene safely, maneuver to the threat using exterior movement and CQB procedures to confront the suspect(s), accurately discriminate the threat and eliminate it, plus looking for other threats, managing casualties and controlling the scene, etc.

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## COMBINED COURSES

### OPERATOR COURSE OVERVIEW

The operator courses are designed to accommodate the full spectrum of shooter from novice to advanced professional operators. This concept may sound a bit pie-in-the-sky. I have learned through my own experience that it is not. The reason is that there are a finite set of skills that one must be able to do with any firearm. We distill those out, teach you how to do them, and you practice at your pace throughout the class. For novices, this an introduction to the methods and to set them on the *right* track with using their firearm. I am always astounded at the progress new shooters make. I have witnessed that more often than not new shooters will be nearly reaching the capability level of the more advanced shooters in the first day. Experienced shooters will be working on refining their techniques and honing their skills beyond what they were capable of before the class. You will walk away with a new found confidence and tools to continue your development after the class. You also get access to continued support.

### **1 DAY PISTOL/1 DAY RIFLE – CIVILIAN AND LAW ENFORCEMENT (LE)**

I stress pistol and rifle fundamentals and standards of proficiency in this course. This set of classes gives you a solid base for all the fundamentals for each weapon system. This pair of classes allows you to attend one or both days, your choice. Also, time is often a decisive factor for all of us, and you should be careful with your training dollars. A one-day commitment is more palatable for many to try CSAT and me out before committing to additional time and expense. I fully understand the perspective. If you take a look at the “History with CSAT” document, you’ll see my path to CSAT with many of the same concerns. Try us out. You won’t be disappointed that you did.

### **2 DAY PISTOL – CIVILIAN AND LAW ENFORCEMENT (LE)**

The two-day courses includes the one-day material. Day Two teaches you a standard drills workout, how to track your progress, fix any mistakes that you make, surgical shooting, movement, and use of cover drills.

### **2 DAY RIFLE – CIVILIAN AND LAW ENFORCEMENT (LE)**

The two-day courses includes the one-day material. Day Two teaches you a standard drills workout, how to track your progress, fix any mistakes that you make, surgical shooting, movement, and use of cover drills and distance work.

## **CIVILIAN COURSES**

### **ADVANCED INDIVIDUAL TACTICS**

Advanced Individual Tactics focuses on handgun employment daytime and nighttime with handheld lights. We move in and out of structures and an in and out of vehicles. We take you back to 60 yards with handheld lights. This class is both day and night.

### **FAMILY BODYGUARD**

FB teaches someone to protect and move their family by themselves or with a significant other who is also armed. We push into structures and out of structures to vehicles. We also work in and around vehicles as a family unit.

### **CIVILIAN RESPONSE TO ACTIVE SHOOTER**

Civilian Response to Active Shooter teaches the lone responder, LE, Teacher, Civilian, how to handle tactical situations outside a target/structure, in a hallway, T intersections, and room entry/consolidation, including how to successfully link up with police.

## **LAW ENFORCEMENT COURSES**

## PATROL COUNTER AMBUSH

PCA teaches the Patrol Officer and Field Training Officer how to look at, approach and solve tactical problems they will encounter on the street. They will also learn when to push and when to hold and when to call SWAT.

## PATROL ACTIVE SHOOTER EXTERIOR PROBLEM-SOLVING AND CQB

The focus of this training is for single officer or 2-3 person teams operating to solve this types of problems.

## PRECISION RIFLE OPERATOR

This course is designed specifically for natural resources officers who carry precision rifles or for SWAT snipers who desire a more in-depth understanding to employ their rifle in a myriad of situations effectively.