



Advanced Firearms Instructor Training

Course Information and Application Packet

Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor- December 5-7, 2024
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D.R.A.W. SCHOOL ADVANCED FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

The **D.R.A.W. School Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor Training** course is a 3-day, 24+ hour advanced instructor development and certification course designed to provide new law enforcement instructors with instructional ability, training, and knowledge required to teach basic and advanced patrol rifle handling and shooting skills to their officers. It provides instructors with an enhanced ability to train



officers to quickly master the complexity of their patrol rifle, even in the most demanding or hostile environments. With many departments now utilizing patrol rifles, instructors must be able to train their officers in a highly efficient manner without compromising instructional quality. This is a highly dynamic course with almost all instructional time devoted to practical and live-fire exercises. This course takes patrol rifle training and instructor development well past recognized minimum state and federal standards.

PREREQUISITE: All instructor candidates attending either course must complete the 6-hour online handgun training prerequisite training course. Per SCCJA guidelines for the D.R.A.W. School Advanced Instructor Training courses, instructor candidates may attend this course prior to obtaining their Firearms Instructor School (FIS), Basic Instructor Development (BID) or their Specialized Skills Instructor (SSI) certification. However, candidates must obtain their FIS certification BEFORE submitting their documentation for PRI equivalency and attend either BID or SSI within 12-months. The original D.R.A.W. School issued certification date will be the renewal anniversary date.



“My bottom line is that I walked in as a skeptic, but I walked out a believer. If you have an opportunity to train in the D.R.A.W School method, do what you have to do to make that happen! Of all the schools and training I have undertaken in the last 25 years, these five days of D.R.A.W. School have been the best and most productive of the lot.”

- SO R. Bemis, U.S. Federal Firearms Instructor (Alabama)

The D.R.A.W. School instructor development curriculums are hybrid instructional courses that are designed to maximize training time, while ensuring that each skillset is learned, retained, and applied by instructor candidates. In doing so, the goal is to help instructor candidates to **effectively and consistently duplicate the training process** so that officers become highly proficient with their weapons. Each segment of the curriculum starts with an academic study of the subject where instructor candidates learn the true science behind the methodology. Each step in the training process answers the “why” behind the method. Next, instructor candidates are immersed in a series of specifically designed practical exercises



that help them correctly perform each physical and mental function in the proper brain/body sequence. This portion of instruction is performed utilizing a specially designed “stairstep” training methodology. As each step is mastered, the speed is increased, and fast, dynamic movement is added. Once the practical exercises are mastered, instructor candidates then perform the same skills in a live-fire environment on the range. At the end of the course, instructor candidates will shoot a 50-

round qualification course. These qualifications include many of the skills they learned and practiced during the course. Please see the **Daily Course Schedule** on page 11 for a detailed list of course activities by day and time.

“D.R.A.W. School opened my eyes to how outdated the training I received and continue to teach really is! I quickly recognized how impractical many of the ‘traditional’ training techniques in law enforcement really are.”

- Sr. DPO K. Chao, San Mateo Co. Probation Dept. (CA)



WHO MAY ATTEND THE COURSES?

The D.R.A.W. School Instructor Training courses are strictly for sworn law enforcement personnel only. Each applicant’s employment and position will be verified to maintain strict attendance requirements. Preference will be given to current SCCJA-certified BID and SSI instructors wanting to obtain their FIS and/or PRI certification. Candidates without BID or SSI certification must obtain their BID or SSI certification within 12 months of course completion to be valid. The following individuals may apply to attend either course:

1. Local, state and federally certified law enforcement instructors
2. Local, state or federally certified law enforcement officers
3. Retired LEOs currently instructing at a college or state-licensed agency



“In my 11 years in law enforcement and 4 years in the Marine Corps, I have never been more impressed and constantly engaged in a firearms training course. The realism, practicality and top-notch instruction far exceeded my expectations!”

- Sgt. W. Ferrelli, Bluffton Police Department (SC)

COURSE REGISTRATION FEES & REGISTRATION PROCESS

To attend the Richland County Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor course, **the application at the end of this packet must be filled out in its entirety and returned to D.R.A.W. School via email.** The application is a PDF fillable document, so it typed out, scanned and emailed to the address on the application. **Applications must be submitted along with any required supporting documentation by the application deadline, Monday, November 25, 2024.** Each instructor candidate must submit a copy of their law enforcement credentials and a letter from their law enforcement agency stating that they are currently in good standing and meet the requirements to attend. **DO NOT submit your application until your agency approves you to attend.**

The registration fee for the **Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor is \$579.00 per person.** Payment type and information must be provided on the application when it is submitted. Payments made via credit/debit will be charged upon approval of the application and receipts will be sent via email. ***Please provide the name and email address of the person(s) that should receive the receipt for payment if other than the applicant.** **Seating for this course is limited to sixteen (16) seats.** Acceptance and approval is based on a first-come, first-served basis.

PLEASE NOTE- Refund requests will be issued if the instructor candidate notifies D.R.A.W. School at least twenty (20) days before the start of the course that they cannot attend. A non-refundable fee of \$299.00 will apply in such cases. **Refund requests made less than twenty (20) days from the start of the course for any reason are non-refundable.** If an application is received and the desired dates are full, the applicant will be notified by phone or email. In such situations, applicants may be placed on a waiting list.

“With 25 years in law enforcement, D.R.A.W. School has to be the biggest positive change I’ve seen in firearms training! It increases ones speed and accuracy. I highly recommend this as a MUST for all law enforcement officers!”

- Ofc. W. Pickett, Santa Paula Police Dept. (CA)



INSTRUCTOR CANDIDATE DRESS CODE

Instructor candidates should wear comfortable clothing that is conducive for a hot, physically demanding firearms training environment. It is highly recommended that instructor candidates wear the following:

- **Soft tactical uniforms-** tactical pants, polo shirts or sun shirts
- **Tactical uniforms-** tactical pants, tac-shirts, combat shirt or sun shirts
- Other tactical/practical uniforms or dress, t-shirts, sun shirts

Clothing will become dirty throughout various parts of the course and during range training exercises, so we do not recommend wearing clothes that instructor candidates do not wish to get dirty or possibly damaged. **Do not wear jeans to class, as they are not allowed. Dressing in layers is recommended for colder mornings and warmer afternoons. Please check the weather each day and dress accordingly.**

The range facility is outside, so **please be sure to bring appropriate clothing that will keep you comfortable while still allowing for physical activity.** Some range activities will be for an extended time. If you plan to wear short-sleeved shirts on the range, we recommend that you apply sunblock before going outside or wear a lightweight sun shirt. It is highly recommended that you bring a lightweight water-repellent jacket in case of rain during the range exercises. Comfortable, supportive footwear is highly recommended for all segments of the course as you will be on your feet for extended periods. **Instructor candidates should bring and wear their body armor throughout the course to properly simulate their entire duty uniform ensemble during all training exercises. Body armor is required to be worn on the range during all live-fire exercises.**

“I have learned so much and retained more due to the D.R.A.W. method. This has definitely been the most challenging, yet satisfying, firearms course I have been part of in my six years of military and seven years of law enforcement experience.”

- Dep. J. Byrne, Baldwin County Sheriff's Office (AL)



EQUIPMENT AND PACKING LIST

Each instructor candidate must wear a duty holster properly affixed to a belt during all practical and live-fire range exercises. It is preferred that the holster issued by the instructor candidate's department is the one brought to class as this is the holster that they will be training others to use. **Level II and Level III duty holsters are required. The use of IWB holsters is NOT allowed in either course.** **Duty holsters affixed to outer carriers or tactical rigs are not allowed in class.**



Course Packing List

ADVANCED PATROL RIFLE INSTRUCTOR PACKING LIST		
1.	Semi-automatic patrol rifle with an aiming optic (red dot sight) is REQUIRED (it is recommended that a back-up rifle be brought in case of primary handgun malfunction/failure)	
2.	Semi-automatic duty handgun with minimum of two (2) spare magazines with magazine pouch affixed to duty belt or outer carrier.	
3.	Full duty belt or tactical rig with secured Level II or Level III duty holster. Duty holster must be worn on a duty/tactical belt.	
4.	Minimum of three (3) rifle magazines with mag carrier (pouches must be attached to outer carrier, tactical kit, battle belt, etc.)	
5.	Concealable body armor or tactical kit with rifle-rated plates as worn on duty is REQUIRED throughout the course	
6.	Knee pads are recommended for ground operations (not required)	
7.	Baseball-style ball cap with bill is REQUIRED	
8.	Electronic noise-cancelling ear protection is REQUIRED	
9.	Eye protection (wrap around); prescription eyeglasses are acceptable	
10.	750 rounds of rifle target ammo and 200 rounds of handgun ammo	
11.	10 dummy rounds in caliber of patrol rifle (metal casing type preferred)	
12.	Rifle and handgun cleaning kits	

PHYSICAL FITNESS & HYDRATION

The Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor course is a physically demanding course with daily practical and range exercises. In addition to being on your feet for extended periods of time, some of the practical and live-fire exercises are strenuous. **Applicants are highly encouraged to have a physical fitness capacity capable of allowing them to participate in all exercises and complete the course.** If an applicant has any medical issues or physical limitations, they are **required** to state those on the application and in-class registration forms. However, this does NOT disqualify an applicant from attending. It is highly recommended that instructor candidates refrain from consuming beverages that tend to cause dehydration (soda, sugary drinks, energy drinks, etc.), and drink plenty of water with an electrolyte-based drink mix added (i.e. Liquid IV, LMNT or DripDrop) to stay properly hydrated throughout the course, even during cooler weather.

“I have been an instructor going on 20 years and this is the best firearms training course I have been to. Bringing the science of D.R.A.W. School to what and how we do things was a real eye opener!”

- Cpl. P. Bonanno, San Diego County Sheriff's Dept. (CA)



TRAINING VENUE AND RANGE FACILITY

The Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor course is being held at the **Richland County Sheriff's Office Range** facility. The physical address is:

**Richland County Sheriff's Office Range
400 Harmon Road
Columbia, SC 29203**

Please note that if you are using GPS to come to this location, make sure that it is in Columbia and NOT Hopkins. Harmon Road is a gravel road that runs off Monticello Road. The range facility is $\frac{3}{4}$ mile at the very end of the road. Please locate this training facility on a map and be familiar with its location before the first day of class.

The **Richland County Sheriff's Office** POC is **Inst. Cris Truluck** at **803-922-7144**. Please direct all course-related questions to **D.R.A.W. School** POC **Jason Speller** at **704-298-9897**.

ONLINE INSTRUCTOR PORTAL

Once an application has been approved, the instructor candidate will be emailed an invitation to their DEPARTMENT email address to create an account for the **D.R.A.W. School Instructor Online Portal**. **Once the instructor portal account has been created, the instructor candidate will have access to all information that is needed for the course.** This information will include the following:

- **Course Preparation Check List-** Walks the instructor candidate step-by-step through the process of preparing for the course(s) they will be attending.
- **Equipment Packing Lists-** Provides a full list of all the equipment instructor candidates need to bring with them to the course.
- **Health & Safety Recommendations (If Needed)-** Recommendations for any health or safety concerns that may affect the course and what precautions, or restrictions are in place. **Please Note- Instructor candidates who are sick should NOT attempt to attend class and may be sent home by the instructor.**
- **Online Training Course-** Directions to log into the FREE D.R.A.W. School Online Training System and order their FREE BarrelBlok safety and training device. **Please Note- The online course must be completed by Friday, November 29, 2024, in order to attend the in-person portion of the course.**

Instructor candidates must also put their mobile phone number on the application as they will receive ongoing updates on the course on their mobile phone.

LAW ENFORCEMENT D.R.A.W. SCHOOL FIREARMS TRAINING

Law enforcement officers across the country are facing increasingly violent, fast threats and therefore must have a higher level of mastery when using their firearm. Yet, due to manpower levels, scheduling, range availability, ammunition shortages, budget cuts and other issues, many departments struggle to regularly train their officers **to the minimum levels** required by their department or state standards. To address these concerns and provide agencies with the ability to train their officers to a higher level of proficiency, speed and accuracy on a regular basis, a nationally standardized firearms training curriculum called **D.R.A.W. School** was developed in 2014. The D.R.A.W. acronym stands for **Drawing, Reloading and Aiming of Weapons**.

These expertly designed law enforcement firearms training and instructor development curriculums meet and/or exceed all state and federal law enforcement firearms training requirements nationwide. D.R.A.W. School firearms training curriculums are designed to complement each state's training requirements and can be **easily integrated into any agency's training program for consistent training results**. D.R.A.W. School is a nationally recognized firearms training and instructor development curriculum and is POST-certified in various states. It is also SCCJA-approved for FIS and PRI instructor equivalency in South Carolina. It has been taught to instructors in over 40 states and has been widely recognized as the most up-to-date law enforcement firearms training program available in the nation.



The introduction of the **D.R.A.W. School Online Training System**, an LMS-based training course, changed the game when it comes to how departments conduct regular firearms training. The Online Training System helps officers to stay consistent and ready with multiple 10–15-minute training segments that cover all aspects of the five core competencies of the D.R.A.W. training curriculum in an in-depth manner. Combined with mandated



departmental in-person firearms training, agencies have found that having their officers enrolled in regular online firearms training with realistic dry-fire drills greatly increases confidence, speed, accuracy, and this results in higher qualification scores.

D.R.A.W. School Firearms Training and the Advanced Firearms Instructor Training courses have been praised by departments, officers, and firearms instructors from coast-to-coast. **The methods taught have been directly credited to saving the lives of officers involved in OIS incidents**. D.R.A.W. School has been featured in multiple police periodicals, such as Police Magazine and Law Enforcement Technology, and its instructors have spoken to many associations and groups nationally.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: I am not a certified SSI or BID instructor yet, but I am a sworn law enforcement officer. Can I still attend the advanced firearms instructor courses?

A: Yes, however you must obtain your SSI or BID certification within 12 months for the firearms instructor course to be valid with SCCJA. The D.R.A.W. School certificate date will serve as the anniversary date for your SCCJA instructor renewal and qualifications.

Q: Can I take the Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor course by itself?

A: Yes, however you cannot submit your DRAW certification for PRI equivalency until you have your FIS certification. If an applicant did NOT attend the D.R.A.W. School Advanced Handgun Instructor course to obtain their FIS certification, they must go through the online 6-hour prerequisite training course BEFORE attending Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor.

Q: If I attend the Advanced Handgun Instructor School can I take the Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor the following week?

A: Yes, but only if you successfully pass the Advanced Handgun Instructor course.

Q: The information says D.R.A.W. courses are certification courses. Who is the certifying entity?

A: The South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy, through the course equivalency approval, certifies all graduates who submit the paperwork to obtain their FIS and/or PRI certification(s) from the SCCJA.

Q: Is D.R.A.W. School Instructor Training SCCJA-approved?

A: Yes. Advanced Handgun Instructor (Lesson Plan Number 6162); Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor (Lesson Plan Number 6163); For SCCJA Course Equivalency, see Page 10.

Q: How physically demanding are these courses?

A: These courses are physically demanding. There is a lot of repetitious movement involving speed and agility. There are also a lot of training segments that require getting down on to and up off the ground. Instructor candidates are required to perform and complete all exercises in the classroom and on the range to pass the course.

Q: Does the host agency endorse independent courses such as D.R.A.W. School?

A: No, most governmental agencies are not allowed to endorse D.R.A.W. School. However, since the SCCJA has properly vetted and approved the course curriculum and training standards for instructor certification equivalency (beginning in 2020), Richland County Sheriff's Office has graciously agreed to host the courses at their training facility.

Q: How difficult is the qualification course of fire?

A: The course of fire is representative of the training. The course of fire requires a 93% minimum, and all 50 rifle rounds and 10 handgun rounds MUST be on the silhouette of the B-27 target. All subsequent re-qualifications must be performed through the SCCJA.



South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy

MEMO

TO: MR. JASON SPELLER
Chief Firearms Instructor, Law Enforcement DRAW School

FROM: MAJ. LAUREN FENNELL
SCCJA Standards and Accreditation Unit

DATE: July 18, 2023

RE: Process for Advanced Handgun Instructor and Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor Equivalency (DRAW)

The following process should be used for those students who successfully complete either of the above-listed DRAW courses and wish to have an instructor equivalency through the SC Criminal Justice Academy.

1. Email the DRAW certificate(s) to lwfennell@sccja.sc.gov with an accompanying letter from either the agency's Training Officer (unless that person is also the student) or the Agency Head requesting the equivalency.

The letter should contain the officer's name, Acadis ID number, and dates of training.

2. The Academy will ensure the officer's Specific Skills or Basic Instructor Development is in good standing, log the DRAW training, and send the requestor a letter granting the equivalency. If the Specific Skills/Basic Instructor or DRAW training is expired, the equivalency will not be granted.

Allow five business days for the equivalency to be noted in the Acadis file.

3. The Firearms Instructor School (FIS) equivalency will be granted for those officers who attend that comparable DRAW training. The officer will be required to recertify with the Academy to maintain this certification.
4. The Patrol Rifle Instructor (PRI) equivalency will be granted for those officers who attend that comparable DRAW training.

Please contact me with any questions. 803.896.7746 or lwfennell@sccja.sc.gov.





Law Enforcement D.R.A.W. School Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor Training Course Schedule

Thursday- Day 1	
0730-0800	Instructor Candidates Arrive for Class
0800-0900	Welcome, Introductions, Course Overview, Rules, and Housekeeping
0900-1000	DRAW Module 1- Mastering the Basics (Classroom)
1000-1100	DRAW Module 1 Practical Exercises* (Classroom or Range)
1100-1200	Safety Briefing and DRAW Module 1 Live-Fire Exercises (Range)
1200-1300	Lunch Break
1300-1400	DRAW Module 2- Mastering Reloading (Classroom)
1400-1500	DRAW Module 2 Practical Exercises* (Classroom or Range)
1500-Until	Safety Briefing and DRAW 2 Module 2 Live-Fire Exercises (Range)
Friday- Day 2	
0730-0800	Instructor Candidates Arrive for Class
0800-0900	DRAW Module 3- Mastering Malfunctions (Classroom)
0900-1100	DRAW Module 3 Practical Exercises* (Classroom or Range)
1100-1200	Safety Briefing and DRAW Module 3 Live-Fire Exercises (Range)
1200-1300	Lunch Break
1300-1400	DRAW Module 4- Mastering the Environment (Classroom)
1400-1600	DRAW Module 4 Practical Exercises* (Classroom or Range)
1600-Until	Safety Briefing and DRAW Module 4 Live-Fire Exercises (Range)
Saturday- Day 3	
0730-0800	Instructor Candidates Arrive for Class
0800-0900	DRAW Module 5- Mastering Incapacitated Shooting (Classroom)
0900-1100	DRAW Module 5 Practical Exercises* (Classroom or Range)
1100-1200	Safety Briefing and DRAW Module 5 Live-Fire Exercises (Range)
1200-1300	Lunch Break
1300-1600	Instructor Candidate Live-Fire Qualifications (Range)
1600-Until	Instructor Graduation (Classroom)

The D.R.A.W. School Patrol Rifle Instructor course is a *minimum* of 24-hours. There is not a set stop time noted at the end of the day. All range activities can be extended if needed to assist all instructor candidates in the course. The instructor and/or instructor candidates may wish to run additional live-fire drills while on the range at the conclusion of the day. Therefore, instructor candidates should expect to stay at the range past 1700 each day if needed.



D.R.A.W. School Instructor Training Course

Instructor Candidate Registration Application
Hosted by Richland County Sheriff's Office

PLEASE TYPE ALL INFORMATION (* = REQUIRED)

APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MONDAY, June 17, 2024		
Indicate below the course that you would like to attend: ___ Advanced Patrol Rifle Instructor Course ONLY- \$579.00		
INSTRUCTOR CANDIDATE CONTACT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)		
Name: (Last)	(First*)	(Middle*)
*Agency Name:		*Agency Phone:
*Agency Mailing Address:		
*City:	*State:	*Zip:
*Agency Email:		Applicant Rank:
*Personal Email (i.e. Gmail):		*Mobile:
*Supervisor Rank/Name:		*Supv. Phone:
Do you have any physical limitations or medical conditions? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, please list:		
PAYMENT INFORMATION		
Amount: \$ _____ Method of Payment: Check/Money Order* <input type="checkbox"/> Credit/Debit <input type="checkbox"/> Purchase Order <input type="checkbox"/> Purchase Order # _____		
<i>*If paying via check or money order, please scan and email check along with entire application with supporting documents to email address FIRST and then mail original to address below.</i>		
Credit/Debit: VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> American Express <input type="checkbox"/> Discover <input type="checkbox"/>		
Card Name:	Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Agency <input type="checkbox"/> (**See Below)	
Card Number:	Exp. Date:	CVV:
Billing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
**If agency card, applicant certifies authorization to use card listed above. Initials: _____		
FIREARM, HOLSTER AND AMMUNITION INFORMATION		
Handgun Make/Model:	Caliber:	
Rifle Make/Model:	Caliber:	
Duty Holster Type:	Retention Level:	
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST		
The following supporting documentation must be submitted with your completed application: Agency Credentials (Photo ID) <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Letter <input type="checkbox"/>		
Scan and send application and supporting documents to jspeller@fenixtraining.com Mailing Address: D.R.A.W. School P.O. Box 1768 York, SC 29745		

I certify that I am a sworn law enforcement officer and/or instructor and thereby eligible to attend the D.R.A.W. School Advanced Instructor Training course(s). I am submitting current, non-expired documentation of my credentials as confirmation thereof. **I have read and understand all requirements and policies to attend and complete this training.** I further understand the refund policy for this course(s). I understand that I am responsible for travel, lodging, meals, ammunition and other related expenses for this course. All information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____