# RIGGS SHIELD™ A LIFE-SAVING, IN-THE-CAR BALLISTIC SHIELD



# RIGGS SHIELD™ DEFENSIVE TECHNIQUES

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RiggsShield™ is the fastest deploying police ballistic shield from inside a patrol car, giving officers the time needed to protect themselves and deploy non-lethal options. Patented and made in the USA, it is an NIJ Shot Level IIIa ballistic shield that mounts to the door panel of a patrol car, giving instant access to the shield to protect the head and neck while seated in the vehicle. The shield is rated to stop up to .44 Magnum, 240 grain, pistol rounds and exceeded the NIJ Level III stab tests in all areas. Riggs Shield is useful outside the car for patrol functions as demonstrated in the following defensive techniques.



# **Shield Grab 1**

- 1. Officer pivots shield from 12 o'clock to 6 o'clock, throwing suspect off balance
- 2. Back up and stun.



### Shield Grab 2

- 1. Officer pins suspect's right hand to shield with right hand and steps back to 9 o'clock with right leg.
- 2. Keep hand pinned to shield until suspect is going to the ground.
- 3. Push suspect over to ground. Stun.





#### **Left Hand Grab or Punch**

- 1. Officer pins suspect's left hand with right hand.
- 2. Steps back to 6 o'clock, then out to 3 o'clock.
- 3. Spin and pull suspect to ground.



# **Overhand Club**

- 1. Officer blocks club, steps back.
- 2. Suspect open. Stun.





#### **Baseball Club Swing**

- 1. Officer blocks, steps back to 6 o'clock, pushing hands down with shield, keeping shield pressed on hands.
- 2. Grab wrist, pin to shield.
- 3. Right leg at 3 o'clock, left leg at 6 o'clock
- 4. Turn and drop suspect. Stun.



#### Club Poke 1

- 1. Officer steps back from poke, blocking with shield.
- 2. Press club to wrist. Force to ground, locking wrist to shield.
- 3. Stun.



# **Lunge Club Poke**

- 1. Officer blocks with shield, steps back to 6 o'clock, sliding down club.
- 2. Block on wrist, pushing club away.
- 3. Steps in with right foot.
- 4. Stun.





#### **Overhead Knife 1**

- 1. Officer blocks knife with shield. Step back.
- 2. Push blade hand to left, maintaining contact.
- 3. Clear knife.
- 4. Stun.



#### **Left Hand Knife Assault**

- 1. Officer steps back, blocks with shield, pushing knife down to the left.
- 2. Push blade away with shield, maintain contact. Draw and fire.



#### **Left Hand Stab**

- 1. Officer steps back and block with shield, keeping shield pressed on suspect's wrist.
- 2. Push blade hand to left, maintaining contact.
- 3. Draw and fire.



# **Low Right Hand Stab**

- 1. Officer blocks knife with shield. Rotate shield.
- 2. Step back, maintaining contact, and pushing knife away.
- 3. Draw and fire.



# **Charging Low Knife Attack**

- 1. Officer steps back with right foot to 6 o'clock, blocking with shield, rotating shield, maintaining contact.
- 2. Push away. Draw and fire.



# **Slashing Defense**

- 1. Officer steps back to 6 o'clock, blocking with shield.
- 2. Maintain contact with blade arm, following knife across and down
- 3. Draw and fire.



#### Choke 1

- 1. Officer steps back, bringing shield down on top of suspect's arms.
- 2. Keep shield contact on suspect's arms.
- 3. Shield breaks hold and sweep away.
- 4. Stun.







# **Left Hand Grab**

- 1. Officer steps back. Shield presses down on suspect's left arm. Sweep away.
- 2. Stun.



# **Right Hand Grab**

- 1. Officer pins hand against own body with right hand.
- 2. Keeping hand pinned, shield presses down on elbow.
- 3. Step back and pivot.
- 4. Press down and twist suspect to ground. Stun.



#### **Left Hand Grab**

- 1. Officer pins hand against own body.
- 2. Shield presses down on elbow.
- 3. Step back and pivot.
- 4. Press down and twist suspect to ground.



# **Gun at Close Range**

- 1. Officer blocks gun with shield
- 2. Push away, maintaining contact with gun.
- 3. Draw and fire.



#### Left Kick

- 1. Officer steps back with right leg to 6 o'clock.
- 2. Block leg with shield, pushing leg to left.
- 3. Stun.

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