



## OTAB Mechanical Breaching Course Outline

The OTAB Breaching course will be delivered by current Tactical Officers from the Ottawa Police Tactical Unit & the Toronto Police Emergency Task Force.

The goal for the two (2) day course will be to provide officers with an introduction to current breaching practices including mechanical breaching, power tools / saws, Hydraulic & ballistic breaching. The students will conduct operationally proven drills and procedures to effectively breach doors / windows and wall targets.

Officers will be exposed to various methods of basic tactical breaching as required during normal tactical operations. (Warrants / barricades)

### Course content includes:

- Brief history and theory of methods of entry
- Justifying breaching for court purposes
- SOP guidelines
- Mechanical breaching of pull and push doors
- Mechanical breaching of windows
- Defeating barricaded doors
- Negotiating and defeating fences and obstacles
- Ballistic breaching (pros & cons)
- Quickie cut saw and chainsaw breaching
- All tactics to include approach, negotiating obstacles, and actions at the breach point
- Scenario based training ( time/ venue permitting )

### Equipment Requirement:

- Full uniform (long sleeve)
- Helmet, eye protection & gloves
- Hearing protection
- Body armour
- Full Heavy Kit (assault gear / equipment worn during operations) Plate carrier etc.
- Breaching shotgun & minimum 20 rounds of breaching ammunition