



Northwest Illinois Criminal Justice Commission

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Rapid Deployment Instructor Course 40 Hr.

DATE: July 28-August 1, 2025

Registration Ends: June 11, 2025

TIME: 8:00 AM—4:00 PM 8 Hours

LOCATION: Ingersoll Machine Tools, 707 Fulton Ave., Rockford, IL

INSTRUCTOR: Ed Mohn - ITOA

PURPOSE OF COURSE: This five-day, 40-hour Instructor course has been designed to train officers as instructors to teach Rapid Deployment/Immediate Action tactics. The focus of this program will be to provide officers with knowledge, specialized tactical skills, and associated printed materials they will need to develop, implement, and teach Rapid Deployment/Immediate Action.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Rapid Deployment/Immediate Action is the swift and immediate deployment of law enforcement resources to an ongoing, life-threatening "Active Shooter" type of situation. These situations require immediate action and the rapid deployment of patrol officers. Failure to act could have catastrophic consequences resulting in death and/or great bodily harm to innocent people. These incidents may also necessitate the immediate and rapid deployment of patrol personnel to contain and prevent the escape of an armed and dangerous offender or rescue a downed officer and/or civilian. Topics to be addressed include:

- To learn formation, room clearing
- Conventional barricade hostage tactics
- Integrated tactics: first responders, contact, and rescue teams
- Use of force and safety priorities • Equipment and identification requirements
- Explosive devices
- Integration of multiple agency responses
- Verbal skills
- Deployment and firearms handling

COURSE GOALS: The goals of this course are as follows:

- To provide a detailed explanation of conventional police tactics for managing barricade/hostage situations
- To review a study of the dramatic increase in the number of workplace and school shooting incidents, including a detailed debrief of the Columbine High School incident, as well as several other police incidents where Rapid Deployment tactics may have been applicable.
- To provide students with an understanding of why Rapid Deployment/Immediate Action techniques were developed and the need for them to be integrated into the tactics available for law enforcement
- To assist participants in developing an awareness of the critical elements that constitute an active shooter and when the use of Rapid Deployment/Immediate Action tactics are appropriate and necessary
- To provide students with an understanding of what should be accomplished by initial responding officers and what the components and responsibilities of the "contact" and/or "rescue" team are
- To identify and discuss use-of-force and safety priority issues related to Rapid Deployment/Immediate Action incidents, including immediate defense of life, law, police, &

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procedure, and established safety priorities. • To provide students with an inventory of appropriate equipment to be used when conducting these types of operations, including issues related to weapon and ammunition selection and uniform/identification requirements

- To assist participants in demonstrating practical knowledge and ability in team formation/movement (Contact & Rescue teams), room clearing, verbalization skills, firearms handling/deployment skills, and actions upon contact
- To provide students with a basic understanding of the different types of improved explosive devices and actions to be taken upon encountering them
- To provide students with a basic understanding of instructor responsibilities, techniques and strategies.
- To allow students the opportunity to participate in instructor training and demonstrate their ability to conduct both platform and tactical instruction.

COURSE PREREQUISITES: While not mandatory, it is suggested that departments enroll officers in this program that have previous instructor and/or tactical-related experience. It is also very helpful if the students have completed a basic level Rapid Deployment Course. This is a dynamic, fast-paced course geared towards officers who already have a basic knowledge of firearms handling/deployment and patrol tactics.

This course has been certified by the ILETSB and approved to meet the following mandates:

Constitutional & Proper Use of Law Enforcement Authority - .50 hours

De-Escalation Techniques - 2.0 hours

Law concerning stops, searches and use of force - .50 hours

Officer Safety Techniques - 23.0 hours

Procedural Justice - 7.50 hours

REGISTRATION:

All registrations are received on the [MTU#1 website](#). Find Registration instructions [here](#)

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