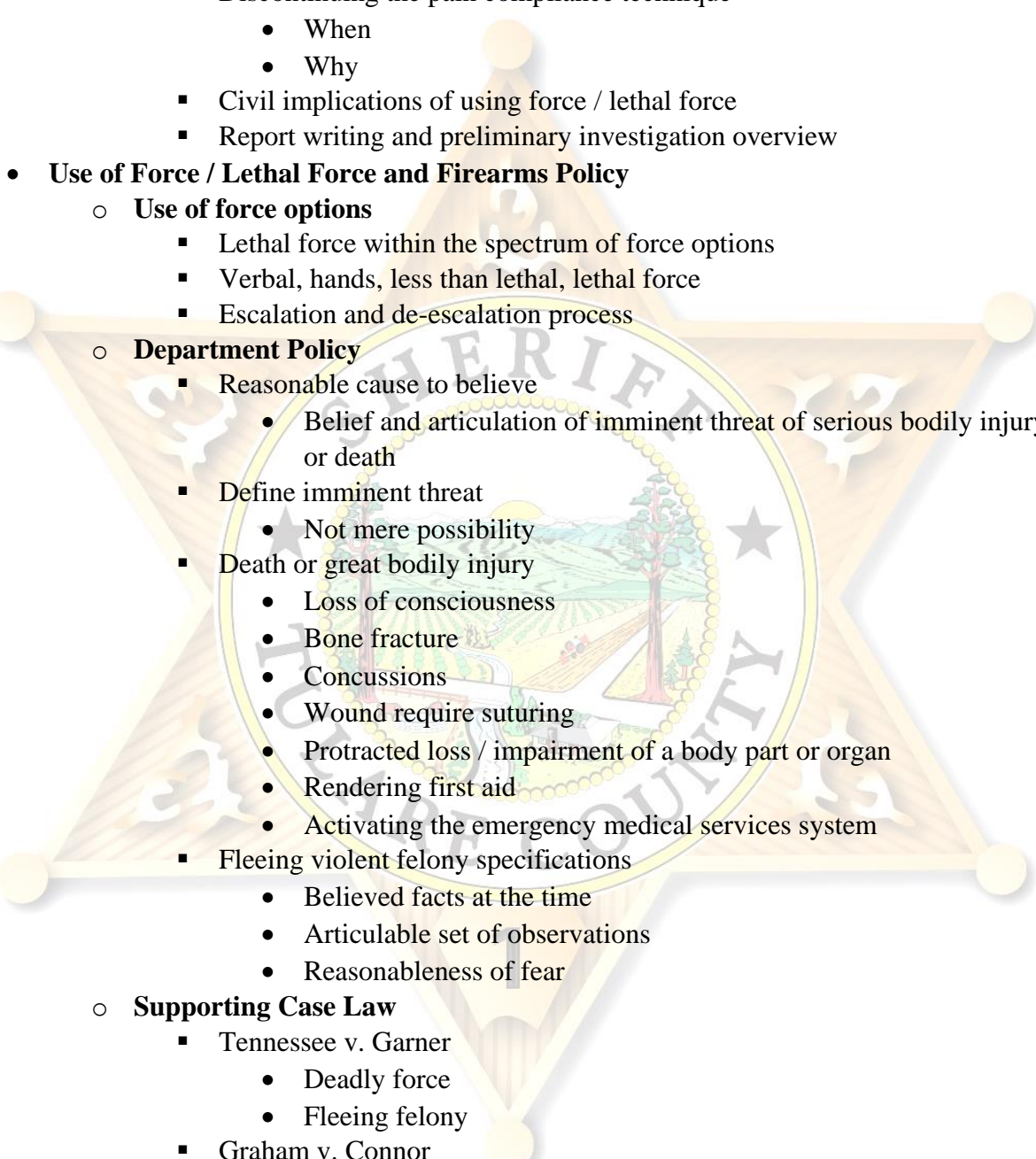


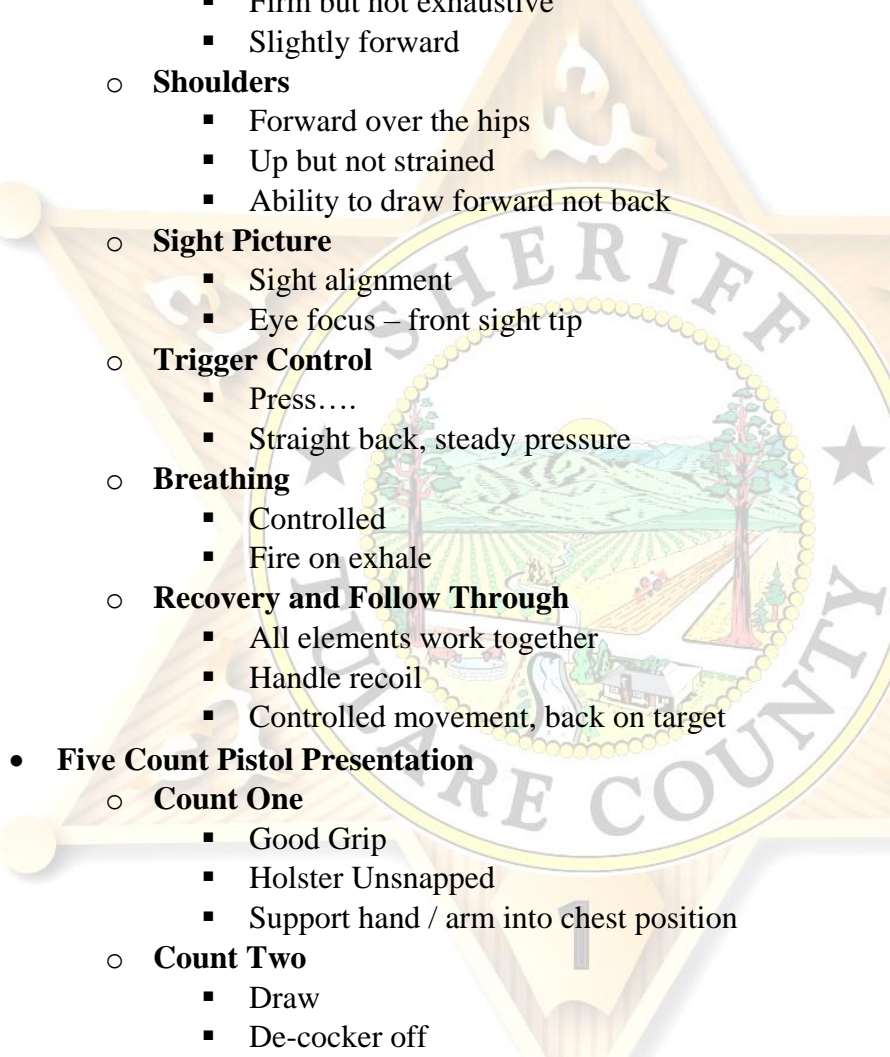
Firearms Course – 8 Hours Training Outline

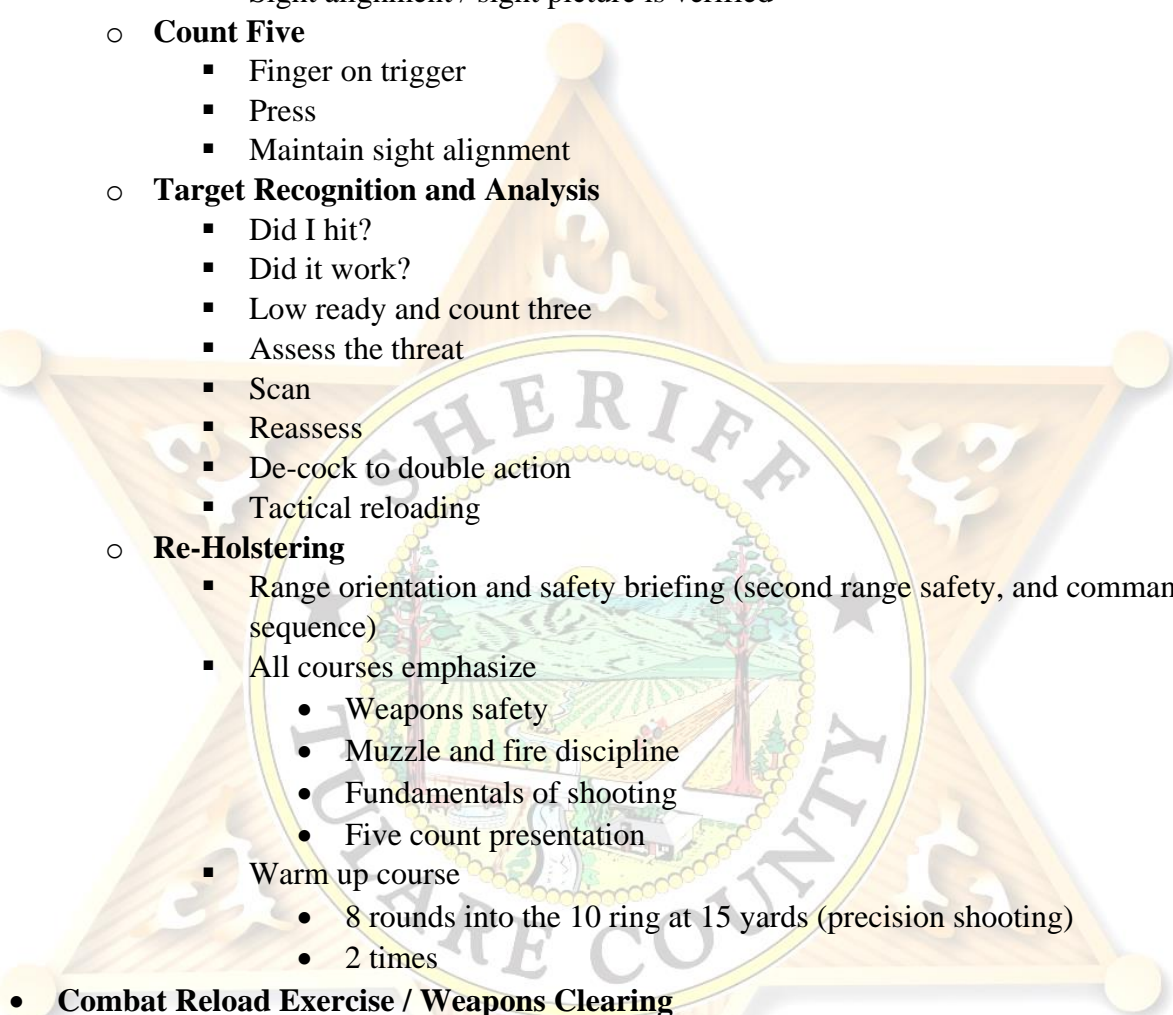
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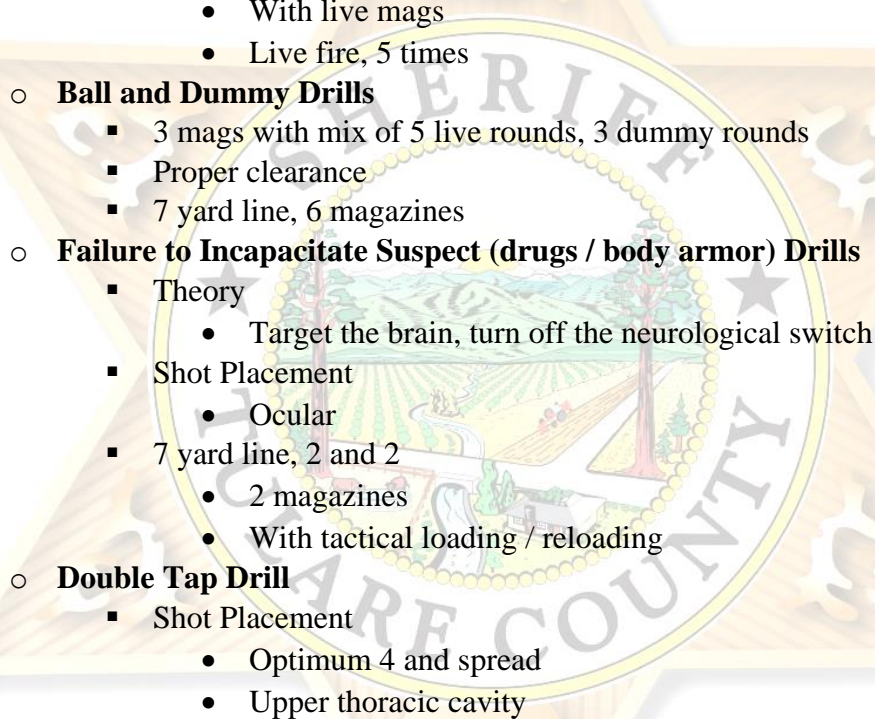
- **Introductions / Overview of Course**
 - **Introduction, registration and orientation**
 - Class preview and expectations of students
 - Student introduction and familiarization
 - **Use of force**
 - Read aloud and discussion / emphasis on should / should not, shall / shall not, etc.
 - Policy and procedure
 - Use of force
 - Guidelines for professional, impartial and reasonable force
 - Definitions
 - Deadly force
 - Force
 - **Course Objectives / Overview, Exercises, Evaluation / Testing**
 - **Weapons Safety Orientation, Review of Range and Shooting Safety Rules, (pre-range weapons unloading procedures and lunch / extended break, reload / unload rules)**
 - All weapons are to be considered loaded
 - Never point the muzzle at anything you are not willing to shoot
 - Keep finger off trigger until you are ready to fire
 - Be sure of your target and background
 - Range and tactical safety
 - Follow range rules
 - Follow instructor commands
 - Strict weapon discipline and muzzle control
 - No lasering of personal body parts
 - Movement and reloading only on double action
 - Review of range safety rules
 - Cover primary elements as a checklist with students
 - Local emergency / first aid procedures to include radio / telephone procedures, closest medical facility
- **Lethal Force Overview**
 - **Legal / moral / ethical issues involving use of force / lethal force**
 - Factors in determining the reasonableness of force
 - Define CA PC 149
 - Another officer with same or similar training and experience
 - Faced with same or similar set of circumstances
 - Using the same or similar judgement
 - Under the established law at the time

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- **Pain Compliance Techniques**
 - The degree to which the application is applied
 - Whether the person is able to comply
 - Whether the person has been given time and space to comply
 - Discontinuing the pain compliance technique
 - When
 - Why
 - Civil implications of using force / lethal force
 - Report writing and preliminary investigation overview
 - **Use of Force / Lethal Force and Firearms Policy**
 - **Use of force options**
 - Lethal force within the spectrum of force options
 - Verbal, hands, less than lethal, lethal force
 - Escalation and de-escalation process
 - **Department Policy**
 - Reasonable cause to believe
 - Belief and articulation of imminent threat of serious bodily injury or death
 - Define imminent threat
 - Not mere possibility
 - Death or great bodily injury
 - Loss of consciousness
 - Bone fracture
 - Concussions
 - Wound require suturing
 - Protracted loss / impairment of a body part or organ
 - Rendering first aid
 - Activating the emergency medical services system
 - Fleeing violent felony specifications
 - Believed facts at the time
 - Articulable set of observations
 - Reasonableness of fear
 - **Supporting Case Law**
 - Tennessee v. Garner
 - Deadly force
 - Fleeing felony
 - Graham v. Connor
 - Reasonable force
 - Define resistance
 - Pre-assaultive indicators
 - **Post Law Enforcement Officers Killed / Assaulted (LEOKA)**
 - **1994 / 2001 reports**

- **Vital statistics from LEOKA reports**
- **Conclusive tactical analysis**
 - Low light conditions
 - 5 to 10 feet
 - 2 rounds
 - 2 seconds
 - Officer accuracy: average 10-20%
 - Use of cover
 - Summary and overview
- **Report the use of force**
 - Appropriate report depending on the incident
 - Factors perceived
 - Why it was reasonable
 - To collect data for departmental and state use
- **Re-Familiarization of Fundamental Firearm Drills**
 - **Malfunction clearing**
 - **Talk about and demonstrate “the box” and how it is useful during stressful situations**
 - **Different types of malfunctions**
 - Failure to eject
 - Stovepipe
 - Failure to feed
 - **Combat reloads**
 - Out of ammunition
 - Get back in the fight
 - Drop the magazine, do not retain
 - **Tactical reloads**
 - Lull in the fight
 - Cover and concealment – the difference between the two
 - Fresh magazine is removed prior to dropping magazine in the gun
 - Fresh magazine up to gun, manipulation to remove old and insert new
 - Stow the magazine as it may be needed later
- **Fundamentals of Shooting**
 - **Stance**
 - Strong, balanced ready position
 - **Isosceles**
 - Both feet somewhat parallel
 - Advantages with body armor
 - Ability to move from the position
 - **Weaver**
 - Strong side, foot back at approximately 45 degree angle
 - Disadvantages with body armor
 - Comfort

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- A large, faint, yellow five-pointed star is centered in the background. Inside the star is a circular seal for "SHERIFF COUNTY". The seal features a landscape with a river, trees, and a house. The word "SHERIFF" is arched across the top and "COUNTY" is arched across the bottom of the seal.
- Ability to move from the position
 - **Grip**
 - Strong, effective two-handed grip
 - Isometric pressure
 - **Knees Slightly Bent**
 - Not exaggerated in the hips
 - **Core**
 - Controlled and steady, breathing through the nose
 - Firm but not exhaustive
 - Slightly forward
 - **Shoulders**
 - Forward over the hips
 - Up but not strained
 - Ability to draw forward not back
 - **Sight Picture**
 - Sight alignment
 - Eye focus – front sight tip
 - **Trigger Control**
 - Press....
 - Straight back, steady pressure
 - **Breathing**
 - Controlled
 - Fire on exhale
 - **Recovery and Follow Through**
 - All elements work together
 - Handle recoil
 - Controlled movement, back on target
 - **Five Count Pistol Presentation**
 - **Count One**
 - Good Grip
 - Holster Unsnapped
 - Support hand / arm into chest position
 - **Count Two**
 - Draw
 - De-cocker off
 - Pistol is rocked up and forward
 - Wrist is positioned above holster
 - Forearm parallel to ground
 - Trigger finger is indexed
 - **County Three**
 - Punch pistol outward
 - Into support hand
 - Isometric tension

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- Low ready positioning
 - **Count Four**
 - Pistol raised to eye level
 - Eye focus to front sight
 - Sight alignment / sight picture is verified
 - **Count Five**
 - Finger on trigger
 - Press
 - Maintain sight alignment
 - **Target Recognition and Analysis**
 - Did I hit?
 - Did it work?
 - Low ready and count three
 - Assess the threat
 - Scan
 - Reassess
 - De-cock to double action
 - Tactical reloading
 - **Re-Holstering**
 - Range orientation and safety briefing (second range safety, and command sequence)
 - All courses emphasize
 - Weapons safety
 - Muzzle and fire discipline
 - Fundamentals of shooting
 - Five count presentation
 - Warm up course
 - 8 rounds into the 10 ring at 15 yards (precision shooting)
 - 2 times
 - **Combat Reload Exercise / Weapons Clearing**
 - **Tactically Reloading (bringing handgun back up to full capacity)**
 - When shooting has stopped
 - Move to cover
 - De-cock / double action
 - Proper grip of fresh magazine
 - Strip and replace in-gun magazine
 - Used magazine in pocket, not pouch
 - Practice and proficiency demonstration
 - **Flashlight Shooting Exercise**
 - Carries (define) / Tactical
 - Alternate flashlight shooting techniques
 - Safety precautions
 - Dry fire practice

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- Reloading
 - Move to one knee / cover
 - Placing flashlight behind the knee
 - **Weapon Malfunction Exercise (split class into two groups)**
 - Group 1 – Failure to fire
 - Clearance drill, tap, roll, and rack
 - Practice with dummy rounds
 - With live mags
 - Live fire, 5 times
 - Group 2 – Double feed
 - Clearance drill and lock, drop, rack, load
 - Practice with dummy rounds
 - With live mags
 - Live fire, 5 times
 - **Ball and Dummy Drills**
 - 3 mags with mix of 5 live rounds, 3 dummy rounds
 - Proper clearance
 - 7 yard line, 6 magazines
 - **Failure to Incapacitate Suspect (drugs / body armor) Drills**
 - Theory
 - Target the brain, turn off the neurological switch
 - Shot Placement
 - Ocular
 - 7 yard line, 2 and 2
 - 2 magazines
 - With tactical loading / reloading
 - **Double Tap Drill**
 - Shot Placement
 - Optimum 4 and spread
 - Upper thoracic cavity
 - Stopping Power
 - Maximum shock and stopping power
 - Vs. bleeding out
 - Major artery – up to 12 seconds
 - Controlled Pair
 - Sight picture, smooth trigger pull
 - 7 yard line and out
 - 2 magazines
 - Accelerated Pair
 - Flash sight picture / front sight
 - 5 and 7 yards and closer
 - Double taps emphasizing speed and accuracy

- 2 magazines
- **Spread Fire Course**
 - Threat Assessment / Threat Prioritization
 - Threat ID
 - Threat type, lethality, and range
 - Highest threat prioritization
 - 3 Targets at the 7 yard line, 2 rounds each, 3 times
 - 2 magazines
 - With tactical reloads
- **Verbal Debriefing of Course**

