



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES and PUBLIC PROTECTION**

**Police Officer Standards and Training
Council Connecticut Police Academy**

To: Connecticut Chiefs of Police
Connecticut Police Training Officers
Connecticut State Police Resident Troopers
Connecticut State Police Training Academy

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Subject: **Police Involved Shootings & Deadly Force**

Tuition: **\$200.00**

COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Police Officer Standards and Training Council's Field Services Training Division is offering a (3) day **Police Involved Shootings & Deadly Force** Training Course on **Tuesday, April 18, 2023, through Thursday, April 20, 2023**. The training will take place at the Connecticut Police Academy, 285 Preston Avenue, Meriden, CT from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm daily. The course will be presented by BOWMAC Educational Services/RSI, Inc.

This course is designed for Chiefs, Patrol Commanders, Shift Supervisors, Research and Development Personnel, Professional Standards Personnel, Departmental Employee Assistance Personnel, Etc. The training will strengthen the departmental response capability to shootings and address personnel issues related to Critical Incident Stress and investigations. The course will be a combination of lecture, demonstration, case study with video, and a personal interview/discussion with an officer involved in a line of duty shooting.

This course deals in depth with four critical aspects of police involved shootings:

1. The Officer and Trauma Issues
2. Use of Force Policies and Guidelines
3. Individual and/or Departmental Liability & Training Issues
4. Media Relations

Practitioners will share their experiences and provide participants with strategies for dealing with each of these areas. The emotions of officers who have been involved in the line of duty shootings will be explored in terms of maintaining them as productive and healthy members of their agency. Liability issues surrounding the use of force, specifically deadly force, will be identified and discussed. Proper containment of the shooting scene and dealing with the press will provide the critical link between liability issues, transparency and successful investigation.

Day One:

Orientation

Course Overview and Needs Assessment

Investigation into Police Involved Shootings and Other Uses of Deadly Force

Post Shooting Trauma Issues:

- The Officer Involved
- Other Officers Involved
- The Officer's Family
- The Officer's Department

Day Two:

Post Shooting Trauma Issues – Continued

An Examination of Potential Departmental Responses & Policy Related Issues

- Non-Shooting Incidents
- Critical Incident Stress Issues

Legal Issues Instruction

- Criminal Liability
- Civil Liability

Day Three:

Use of Force Training Presentation – The Reactive Control Model

Developing Policies and Procedures for Your Agency

- Review of Specific Policies
- Practical Exercises
- Course Review

The class is limited to thirty-five (35) attendees. Please complete a registration form from the web and email it to Bill Tanner at William.tanner@ct.gov no later than close of business on **Friday, March 31, 2023**. If you have any questions, please contact the Field Services Division at 203-427-2625.

Students successfully completing the course will receive Review Training Credit in the following areas:

Area: 818 Critical Incident Investigation/Review (16 hrs)

Lunch may be purchased at nearby restaurants. Professional, business attire required.

Training Officers: Please be sure to include your department email address and the **email AND POST ID of the student to be enrolled** on all applications to assure prompt communications of all in-service training matters.

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Training on the Web: www.ct.gov/POST