



# DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS & TRAINING

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

From: William E. Tanner, III  
Field Services Training Division

Date: June 3, 2024

Subject: **Basic Police Firearms Instructor**

Tuition: **No Cost**

**Pre-Requisites:** **Successful Completion of a Methods of Instruction/Instructor Development course**

**Successful Completion of the POST Firearms Instructor Pre-test**

## COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Police Officer Standards and Training Council's Field Services Training Division, in conjunction with regional police firearms instructors, will be conducting a **Basic Police Firearms Instructor** Course. The training will be held **Monday, September 9, 2024, to Friday, September 20, 2024** (ten training days). The class will meet from **8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.** daily. The program will be conducted at the Firearms Range at the Connecticut Police Academy, 285 Preston Avenue, Meriden, 06450

### Each Attendee must provide the following:

- Agency service weapon (handgun and shotgun)
  - Duty type pistol with mounted optic/Red Dot Sight (RDS) and holster. Limited number of loaner pistols will be available for this block of instruction.
- Handgun ammunition – 2000 rounds
  - 350 of the 2000 **Lead free FRANGIBLE** rounds
- Shotgun ammunition:
  - 100 rounds (00 buck)
  - 50 rounds rifle slug
  - 5 bean bag rounds
- Full duty patrol street gear with reloading sources
- Protective vests
- Eye and hearing protection

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- Baseball style cap with a rounded bill
- Handheld duty flashlight
- Duty rain gear (if needed)
- Gun cleaning kit (handgun and shotgun)
- Simunition equipment:
  - Weapon, if possible
  - Protective equipment, if available
  - 50 Simunition rounds

**To receive a course certificate, candidates will be required to successfully complete a practicum consisting of:**

- Classroom lectures
- Practical skills demonstration
- Evaluation of coaching techniques
- Ability to diagnose problem shooters
- Knowledge of technical terms, actions, and equipment
- Written test

**The percentages constituting passing test scores are as follows:**

- Shooting practicum - 95% (285 out of 300)
- Written test - 80%.

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

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| • Area 200 | Police and the Law             | (4 hours)  |
| • Area 300 | Practical Police Skills        | (16 hours) |
| • Area 300 | POSTC Firearms Mandated Credit | (3 hours)  |
| • Area 300 | POSTC Firearms Elective credit | (9 hours)  |

**Enrollment to this course is limited to twenty (20) participants** who meet, and have supplied proof of, the prerequisites for this course. Please complete a registration form from the web and email it to William Tanner at [William.tanner@ct.gov](mailto:William.tanner@ct.gov) **no later than close of business on, Friday, August 16, 2024.** If you have any questions, please contact the Field Services Division at 203-427-2625.

**\*\*\*Include proof of MOI/Basic Instructor Development course completion. Also note the date the registrant passed the POSTC Firearms Instructor Pre-Test on the registration form.\*\*\***

Lunch may be purchased at nearby restaurants. The POST in-service dress code is not in effect for this class.

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

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