



Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program

Mobile Team Unit 15

Training Announcement

Name of Training			Class ID#	Course ID#
Introduction to Red Dot Sights (Pistol)			200243	73792
Date(s) of Training	Time	Hours	Location	
December 1, 2025	8:30 A.M.- 4:30 P.M.	8	Carbondale Police Firing Range 105 S. Bigler Rd Carbondale, IL	
Course Description				
This class is intended to familiarize students with the Miniaturized Red Dot pistol (MRDS) platform. Red Dot methodology will be discussed as well as gear and gun considerations. Specific drills are introduced to make the student more familiar and confident with a new sight system. The three major focal points will be: finding the dot on presentation, tracking the dot under recoil, and addressing dot specific malfunctions. How to zero your gun will be shown and explained. Low light shooting will also be addressed (range permitting) as it relates to RDS pistols. Officers will shoot several courses of fire and drills, including decision-making drills. Firearms Instructors will benefit from this class, as they will begin to see more and more of these guns showing up in classes. Instructors having a baseline understanding of the system will benefit their students. Students will shoot the State 30 round in-service qualification course.				
Course Objectives				
• Understand MRDS nomenclature. • Understand maintenance of MRDS system. • Find the dot / Track the dot. • Understand zero and holdover of MRDS.		• Understand setting up an MRDS pistol. • Differentiate between red dot & iron sights. • Understand MRDS malfunctions and fixes. • Successfully pass the qualification exam.		
Instructor				
MTU 15 Assistant Director Doug Wilson has over 25 years of police experience. Doug is an Active Threat Master Instructor, Firearms Instructor, Red Dot Pistol Instructor, Use of Force Instructor, EEVOC Instructor, TASER Instructor and has been a supervisor, FTO, and Special Response Team member/ sniper. Doug’s goal is to teach police officers to become “Thinker Fighters”.				
Required Equipment				
• 350 rounds of factory ammunition • Eye and ear protection • Full duty belt • Permanent marker • Sight adjustment tool for your optic. • Duty handgun (3 magazines) with MRDS optic <i>Must be of a design that allows for co-witnessing with the mechanical (“iron”) sights on the handgun.</i>				
Mandates Met by This Training				
<i>De-escalation Techniques ~ Law Concerning Stops, Searches, and the Use of Force</i> <i>Officer safety Techniques, Including Cover, Concealment, and Time.</i>				
<i>This class is partially funded and certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board</i>				