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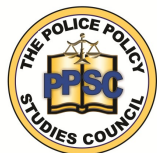
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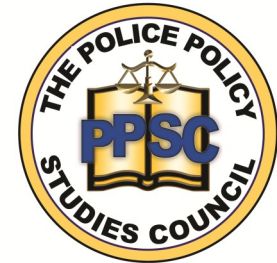
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***ADVERSE LIGHT
TRAINING
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Course Description

This PPSC course has been designed to meet the rising demand for more comprehensive training and specialization in the reduced light realm. It entails definitive information pertinent to human vision in low light environments, low light operational philosophy, equipment selection, practical live-fire exercises and interactive force-on-force scenarios. As the course progresses, the student will experience the gamut of reduced light training issues while acquiring solutions for otherwise complex problems.

Long guns will receive needed attention to address operational problems associated with their deployment under low light conditions. Night vision technology will also be addressed and used.

Unlike many other low-light training programs, this course has been designed for law enforcement officers in a way that will enable them to work more intelligently. This isn't a military program that was modified for law enforcement use. This program provides special focus on the critical nature of using deadly force under light conditions associated with the most problematic police shootings. Consequently, this course will prepare agency training cadre with the ability to address a broad spectrum of compelling issues.

Course Content Includes:

- Adverse light as a prevalent influence on policing.
- Operational philosophy and training issues.
- The nature of human vision pertinent to ambient lighting.
- Threat identification issues and the troubling frequency of so-called "mistake-of-fact" shootings in low light.
- Reduced light equipment selection and de-

ployment considerations.

- The extent to which night sights seem to have failed.
- Operational considerations when using laser-equipped handguns.
- Reduced light tactics and techniques.
- Handgun training in reduced light, with and without flashlights.
- Shoulder weapon familiarization, to include the rifle/carbine and shotgun.
- Introduction to NVDs.

Upon Completion of this Course, Participants will Able to:

- List the operational considerations for an LEO in a reduced light environment.
- Identify the operational advantages and disadvantages of tritium sights.
- Identify the most important criteria in selecting a flashlight for small-statured officers.
- Identify the effective operational parameters for using "muscle memory" techniques in low light.
- Describe how "reduced light anxiety" tends to influence firearms safety.
- Identify why most common searching techniques may exacerbate safety problems associated with low light.
- List the advantages and disadvantages of a "constant-on" flashlight approach.
- Explain why turning light switches on in a building search may not be a viable approach.
- Describe the advantages and disadvantages of "grounding" a flashlight.
- Identify the most critical aspects of handgun/flashlight usage while firing.
- Identify the flashlight/handgun techniques that are most advantageous.
- List and describe the three ranges of visual orientation.
- Identify the advantages and disadvantages of mounting an illumination device to a handgun or long gun.
- Demonstrate safe and proficient usage of firearms in reduced light environments.
- Achieve a minimum 80% score on the PPSC

Adverse Light Handgun Proficiency Course. All rounds fired on this course must be on target to achieve certification.

Please Note:

All applications, tuition or POs must be received prior to the beginning of the course. A comprehensive handout manual is provided for this course.

Program Instructor: Thomas J. Aveni, MSFP

Tom has served on the state, county and local levels of law enforcement since 1978. He has worked as a sworn law enforcement officer in three states (NJ, UT, NH). He worked as a training coordinator at Smith & Wesson Academy from 1990-2001, during which time he trained over 12,000 officers in a variety of use of force disciplines. He currently works as a researcher, consultant and expert witness for PPSC. In 1995, Tom became the first police trainer to offer an instructor level low light course. He has certified hundreds of adverse light instructors since that time. Tom has also researched and authored articles regarding shift-work concerns, reflecting his broad spectrum of knowledge in the low light realm.

Length	5 days/ 32 hours
Tuition	\$695
Dates	Please call or check our website for course dates and locations
Location	Please call or check our website

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