Tactical Survival Techniques

Salisbury, NC

Training Alert

Atlanta-Carolinas HIDTA and Rowan Cabarrus CC

When: Tuesday – Thursday April 7-9, 2020, 8 am – 5 pm

Where: Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
1333 Jake Alexander Blvd South
Salisbury, NC 28146

Enroll online at https://www.rccc.edu/lawenforcement/training-calendar/

Day 1:

Survival Awareness/Threat Recognition: a look at the every changing threats facing officers on the streets, the psychology of a gunfight, and the real consequences of shooting someone, or being shot yourself.

Deadly Force: When the law says we can, and cannot pull the trigger. Includes practical exercises/demos to show just what a lethal attack looks like.


Day 2:

Off Duty Issues: how to prepare yourself, and your family, for a potential deadly encounter when you are not working.

Cover and Concealment: a look at how the basics of C & C have changed in the world of ballistic advances and some of the threats officers now face on the streets.

Threats from Within: an officer safety perspective on what to look for during a traffic stop or building entry that can give early warning that the suspect(s) may hold dangerous beliefs that could endanger the officer or others. From sovereign citizens to skin heads, things to look for that may save your life.

Spotting Hidden Weapons: tips on some of the subtle indicators that might give you an early indication that someone is armed...legally or otherwise.
Day 3:

*Autos and Ammo:* in depth look at shooting out of, into, and around vehicles of all types. Challenges many common beliefs and Hollywood generated myths of how bullets and cars interact. Includes recommendations of how to conduct live fire training with vehicles at very low cost, and offers several options on vehicle stop techniques.

*Medical Response:* what to do when you or another officer is shot and other help is not available. Includes a look at the latest equipment every officer should consider carrying to save his/her or another life.

*How to Train to Win a Gunfight:* Low or no cost ways to enhance your training to improve your chances of surviving a lethal attack.

*Stay Alive!:* 10 concrete, specific things an officer can do to immediately enhance is/her safety.

**ENROLLMENT:** Open to federal, state and local sworn LEO’S and prosecutors.

**There are no enrollment or registration fees for this course.**

For information about this or other training offered by the Atlanta HIDTA go to [www.achidta.org](http://www.achidta.org) or to Atlanta-Carolinas Training Coordinator John “Buck” Smith by email at [bsmith@achidta.org](mailto:bsmith@achidta.org) or by phone to 470-261-0410. Follow all guidelines for outside training set by your department before enrolling in any HIDTA class.

**Instructor: Brian Kensel, Former FBI Tactical Instructor.**

- Expert witness on police use of force cases
- Adjunct Professor – Saint Leo University, Criminal Justice Program, May 2005 – present.
- Adjunct Instructor – St. Petersburg College, Counternarcotics program. March 2005-present.
- Mobile Training Team Leader/Lead Instructor, Homeland Security Solutions, Incorporated (Hampton, Virginia) –security systems and policies for military bases; teaching
- Firearms, Defensive Tactics, Clearing techniques to U.S. Navy

Special Agent (Retired) - Federal Bureau of Investigation

**Specific pertinent assignments:**

- Defensive Tactics Instructor – San Juan Division April 1986 – September 1989, responsible for curriculum and training related to all less than lethal techniques.

- SWAT team primary operator
- SWAT team tactical medic Assistant PFI
- SWAT team operator/sniper/tactical medic/Senior Team Leader Principal Tactical Instructor – June 1993 – January 2005, responsible for developing curriculum, equipment, and training related to street survival program for FBI and other law enforcement personnel.
**Police Training Coordinator** – Tampa Division August 1994-January 2005, responsible for FBI National Academy program, all training provided to FBI and other law enforcement personnel, to include managerial, media relations, use of force, tactical, counterterrorism, and firearms classes.

**Specialized training/Certifications:**

FBI firearms instructor (including recertification every four years) Annual recertification as Principal Firearms Instructor.
NRA certified Law Enforcement firearms instructor.
FBI Defensive Tactics Instructor (including recertification).
FBI Tactical Instructor (including recertification).
Nationally registered Emergency Medical Technician, (Including recertification’s every two years).
FBI Observer/Sniper.
FBI Chemical Agents Instructor.
FBI Master Police Instructor, multiple disciplines.
Member of FBI Possible Club (recognition for perfect score on specific handgun course).
Advanced Firearms Instructor Techniques (program to address problem shooters).
Shoot House Instructor certification – Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office.

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Students may contact Chuck Adams at 704-216-3745 for additional information.

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