

# **NEVADA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

## **Low-light Rifle & Pistol Course**

- Course Title:** Low-light Rifle & Pistol Course
- Course Hours:** Eight (8) hours
- Course Goals:** To provide sworn staff instructions and reinforce sound and safe handling of the department approved rifle and handgun in low light conditions.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

1. Demonstrate their understanding of the Four Basic Safety Rules for handling firearms.
2. Demonstrate the ability to properly load, unload, and fire the weapon and to clear malfunctions that might occur with the weapon.
3. Demonstrate the ability to apply the fundamentals for safely and effectively operating their patrol rifle and duty handgun.

### **REQUIRED STUDENT EQUIPMENT:**

1. Sig P226/P229 department issued handgun or Glock 22/23
2. 3 magazines
3. Duty belt consisting of a duty holster and magazine pouch at minimum.
4. Patrol rifle
5. Three patrol rifle magazines
6. flashlight and/or weapon mounted lights

### **COURSE OUTLINE:**

1. Safety Brief
  - a. Treat all guns as if they are loaded.
  - b. Never point the muzzle at anything you are not willing to destroy.
  - c. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are aligned and on target.
  - d. Always be sure of your target and what lays beyond it.
2. Optical offset drill
  - a. After proper instruction by a rangemaster, the students will demonstrate their understanding and ability of how to accurately place shots on the target while dealing with the effects of optical offset at varied close quarter ranges.

3. Clearing malfunctions
  - a. Proper techniques will be explained then demonstrated to the students by a rangemaster.
  
4. Firearm transitions
  - a. Proper techniques will be explained then demonstrated to the students by a rangemaster.
  - b. Techniques include transition with and without a sling being utilized on the patrol rifle.
  
5. Shooting on the move in low light conditions
  - a. Proper techniques will be explained then demonstrated to the students by a rangemaster.
  - b. Students will shoot on the move in low light conditions while experiencing induced malfunctions with dummy rounds. Transitions will occur in the event of a malfunction.