



## INTERNATIONAL TRAINING GROUP (ITG®) COURSE OVERVIEW

### EXECUTIVE PROTECTION HANDGUN TRAINING COURSE

Duration: 33 Hours



This training program focuses on advanced handgun skills as applicable to the executive protection arena. It is not a basic handgun training course. Candidates for training must be proficient in basic marksmanship, weapons handling and safety skills prior to attending this course. Students not demonstrating basic handgun proficiency and safety are released from training without benefit of refund. This is a National Rifle Association Law Enforcement certified course.

**COURSE PREREQUISITES:** Students must provide an officially sanctioned handgun qualification record that is no older than one year old from recognized law enforcement, military, National Rifle Association or other approved training course prior to being accepted by ITG® for attendance in this training program.

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#### **FAMILIARIZATION COURSE OF FIRE** - (6 hours range firing)

Students are exposed to range safety requirements, the four part draw, weapon handling and manipulation, magazine changes, malfunction drills and given opportunity to engage targets from various ranges between 3 and 25 meters. Reinforcement training on grip, stance, breathing, sight alignment, sight picture, trigger control and other marksmanship issues is provided to the students as necessary. Students must demonstrate basic marksmanship skills, weapons handling proficiency and safety skills to advance to further training.

#### **QUALIFICATION COURSE OF FIRE** - (2 hours range firing)

The qualification course of fire for this program is that established as the qualification course of fire for the US State Department's Bureau of Diplomatic Security. Students are given familiarity with the qualification tables, one practice course of fire and one qualification course of fire. Students must pass this qualification course of fire to advance to further training.

#### **ADVANCED WEAPONS TECHNIQUES** - (23 hours lecture/discussion; and range firing practical exercises)

Students are familiarized with various tactical considerations protective agents may face when conducting armed protective details. Various concerns pertaining to weapons utilization in protective operations will be presented and discussed. Capabilities and limitations of the *Arm's Reach Principle* for the smaller protective operations will be discussed. Close quarter combat techniques, as relating to protective services operations, will be taught and practiced. Separate firing tables involving drawing the weapon and target engagement from various positions will be practiced. Moving, pivoting, drawing and firing at targets located at differing positions relative to the students' position will be discussed and practiced. Multiple target acquisition and multiple round firing techniques will be utilized and practiced. Continued training and practice in advanced close quarters combat techniques includes instinctive alignment shooting techniques. Body armor drills, combat and tactical reloading, wounded reloads, wounded malfunction drills and other specialized techniques will be presented and practiced. Weapons retention techniques will be taught and practiced. Employment of the handgun while performing single agent missions will be discussed and practiced. Students will be placed in immediate reaction "shoot/don't shoot" situations and be asked to defend their actions. A tactical movement stress course specific to protective operations evacuations will test all of the above techniques.

#### **NIGHT TIME FAMILIARIZATION COURSE OF FIRE** - (2 hours lecture/ range firing)

Students will be exposed to the dynamics of shooting in low light areas or during hours of darkness. Specialized equipment is identified and recommended. Specific techniques are discussed and practiced.