



## INTERNATIONAL TRAINING GROUP (ITG®) COURSE OVERVIEW

### EXECUTIVE PROTECTION AGENT'S TRAINING COURSE

Duration: 120 Hours



**COURSE PREREQUISITES:** All Executive/Dignitary Protection courses are restricted to regular and reserve law enforcement officers, federal agents, military personnel and qualified civilian security professionals and others who can successfully pass a background check. All ITG® training courses are dynamic and are not limited to classroom exercises. Each attendee must be physically capable of jogging short distances and able to perform the strenuous exercises common in tactical and protective operations.

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#### **INTRODUCTION TO PROTECTIVE SERVICES - (1.5 hour lecture/discussion)**

Introduction to the field of executive protection. Protection is provided against assassination, kidnapping, injury and/or embarrassment primarily through pro-active measures with emphasis placed on prevention. Concepts pertaining to *Attack on Principal (AOP) Drills* and the doctrine of *Cover and Evacuate* discussed.

#### **INTRODUCTION TO PROTECTIVE SERVICES WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT - (1.5 hour lecture)**

Students are exposed to the various kinds of weapons and equipment used by executive protection agents. Discussion centers on appropriate wear and use of this equipment relative to the executive protection environment.

#### **PROTOCOL AND ETIQUETTE - (1.5 hour lecture/discussion)**

Protocol and etiquette as it relates to and impacts personal protective operations, especially those conducted in a diplomatic environment discussed in depth.

#### **THREAT ASSESSMENT - (2 hour lecture/discussion)**

An introduction to various kinds of potential threats and motivating factors, threat information collection and identification of various sources of information, is given. A discussion of how this information can be utilized when structuring the protective detail or responding to changing circumstances will be held.

#### **PROTECTIVE SERVICES UNARMED COMBAT TECHNIQUES - (6.5 hour demonstration and practice)**

Instruction and practice on techniques certified by Compliance Direction Takedown® (CDT®) – the world's only trademarked and patent pending non-deadly force system. The CDT® system is specifically designed to help reduce a person's civil and criminal liabilities in the event they must use justifiable force in a situation to protect oneself or another party. Considered the most appropriate system for executive protection agents in the world today, individual certification is provided to each student.

#### **ADVANCE OPERATIONS - (7 hour lecture/discussion)**

Exposure to a myriad of advance techniques designed to give them the widest possible spectrum of ability. Information pertaining to advancing locations such as hotels, meeting rooms, restaurants, airports and other areas presented. Development of site specific security and contingency plans discussed. Actual locations frequented by the principal used for the practical exercise.

#### **FORMATIONS (DISMOUNTED & MOUNTED) - (4 hour lecture/discussion; 12 hour practical exercise)**

Dismounted and mounted formations identified. AOP Drill for response to hand grenades provided. Roles and responsibilities discussed in detail. Special situations, such as entering buildings, working fence lines and mounting and dismounting of vehicles presented. AOP Drills practiced from various formations. Attack recognition case studies explored and discussed.

#### **SECURITY POST OPERATIONS (COMMAND, ESTATE, RESIDENCE & OFFICE) - (4 hour lecture/discussion)**

The duties and responsibilities of a protective agent assigned to various security post positions will be outlined and discussed. The role of various security posts in protective operations and recommended equipment will be identified. Various scenarios that may develop, and appropriate responses to them, will be discussed.



**IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICES - (3 hour lecture/discussion)**

Characteristics of Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) provided. Role of Explosive Ordnance Disposal Teams and Explosive Detection Dog Teams identified and discussed. Mail handling procedures and letter and parcel bomb recognition points presented.

**BUILDING & VEHICLE SEARCH PROCEDURES - (2 hour lecture/discussion; 2 hour practical exercise)**

Effective methodology for searching buildings and vehicles for the presence of IED taught. Field expedient methods and equipment identified. Specific procedures for dealing with suspect items presented and discussed. Coordination and reporting to law enforcement authorities discussed. Students participate in a practical exercise involving the search of vehicles and buildings.

**OPERATIONAL MEDICAL RESPONSE - (8 hour lecture/discussion with practical exercises)**

Exposure to the dynamics of treating injuries that can be expected from an attack on a principal, including methodology to be used in the event that the protective team is still engaged in a confrontation when the need arises to provide first responder support to their principal or other teammates. Training begins with familiarization of basic First Aid treatments, Adult Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation and Automated External Defibrillators and culminates in practical exercises that start with simulated AOP drills and include providing the first responder medical support as required by the scenario.

**MOTORCADE OPERATIONS - (1 hour lecture/discussion; 4 hour practical exercise)**

Organization of motorcade formations discussed. Roles and responsibilities of agents identified. Methods for driving in motorcades and completing non-threat driving maneuvers such as turning corners, changing lanes, three point turns and merging identified. Practical exercise emphasizes coordination and teamwork.

**VEHICLE DYNAMICS - (6 hour lecture/discussion with practical exercises)**

Exposure to various aspects of vehicle dynamics in preparation for learning protective and evasive driving skills. Learning how a vehicle communicates, proper driving form and where to look are fundamental building blocks for advanced driving skill sets in the protective environment.

**MOTORCADE ATTACK ON PRINCIPAL DRILLS - (8 hour lecture/discussion; 8.5 hours practice)**

Students are exposed to the value of a vehicle as both a defensive and offensive weapon. Attack on Principals Drills utilized by protective teams in single vehicle and motorcade configurations will be briefed and the dynamics associated with motorcade ambush will be discussed. Historical motorcade attacks (both effective and ineffective) will be reviewed. Students will practice specific AOP responses including: Forward & Reverse 180s, Reverse Out, Drive Through, Push Out, Precision Intervention Technique, Vehicle Ramming and Cover & Evacuate.

**FORCE ON FORCE SCENARIOS - (7 hour practical exercises)**

Students are given opportunity to be involved in various force on force training scenarios utilizing UTM<sup>®</sup> ammunition as additional AOP drills are practiced from both the dismounted formation and motorcade configurations.

**FINAL PRACTICAL EXERCISE - (24 hour practical exercise; 2 hour critique)**

The student will participate in the advance work, planning and execution phases of a protective operation for a scenario based protective mission. Presented with basic threat information, a fixed resource base, a biographical sketch of a principal and an itinerary, the students will conduct all activity required to support the principal throughout the execution phase of the itinerary. A formal briefing will be prepared and delivered by the student team and the protective operation will be conducted in the public environment.

**EMERGING TACTICS, TECHNIQUES & PROCEDURES - (1 hour lecture/discussion)**

Familiarization with the most current and relevant terrorist tactics utilized at the time of the course. Both effective and ineffective counter measures will be discussed relative to executive protection assignments.

**NETWORKING FOR EXECUTIVE PROTECTION PROFESSIONALS - (1 hour lecture/discussion)**

Information relative to networking within the industry and résumé development will be presented and discussed. Emphasis is placed on professional ethics in both the protection field and the business community in which agents are working.

**FINAL EXAMINATION - (2 hour examination/critique)**

The student will be tested by academic examination that will cover all subjects addressed during the course of this training. Critique and review of the examination will be conducted in order to aid in the learning process.

**GRADUATION CEREMONY - (.5 hour)**

Graduation and certifications are issued to successfully graduating students and a class photograph is taken.