



## **Basic SWAT Course**

### **DHS Catalogue: Law Enforcement Tactical Operations for Terrorism Response (Basic Concepts and Tactics) ID-006-RESP**

The Preparedness of State and Local Law Enforcement officers is one of the major initiatives of the United States Department of Homeland Security. This Basic SWAT course provides entry level SWAT officers with proven tactics, techniques, and procedures for first responders in a SWAT operation to include terrorist incidents.

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

The Government Training Institute's core curriculum for the Basic SWAT course has been reviewed and approved by D.H.S.'s Office of Grants & Training. This allows states the opportunity to apply their DHS training grant funding toward student tuition, overtimes, meals lodging, and associated backfill cost of their SWAT officers to attend.

The aim of the Government Training Institute's Basic SWAT course is to equip new SWAT team members with the knowledge and skills required to serve on a SWAT team. The course is comprised of nineteen interconnected modules delivered over a seven-day period. The course is rigorous and engaging, allowing students to immerse themselves in the training. The first two days of the course focus on introducing students to SWAT concepts and tactical team organization, followed by an in-depth exploration of the primary tactics, techniques, and procedures utilized during tactical operations including terrorist threats. The remainder of the course is devoted to refining and honing these skills through hands-on training and a variety of training scenarios. Additionally, students receive a detailed course manual which serves as a guide during and after the course. The Basic SWAT course gives students instruction and practical application in the following tactical training:

- Officers learn proven dynamic, deliberate, and covert building clearing tactics through classroom instruction, practical exercises, and force on force scenarios.
- Officers gain an understanding of the options available for resolving tactical situations including Hostage Incidents, Barricaded Suspects, and High-Risk Warrant Service.
- Officers gain valuable insight on the value of exploiting tactical angles, creating tactical dilemmas, and the utilization of physical and technological clearing resources.
- Officers learn the proper methods for approaching target locations as well as individual and team movement techniques around target structure breach points and gun porting locations.
- Officers receive detailed instruction and practical application in the tactical shooting techniques.
- Officers receive instruction on specialized topics including improvised explosive device awareness and tactical breaching methods.

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## **WHO CAN ATTEND?**

The course is open to Law Enforcement and Military personnel ONLY. Each officer will show or verify employment prior to course registrations.

## **TUITION INCLUDES:**

- Student manual
- Conversion kits for duty weapons (for force on force scenarios)
- Simunition® for scenario training
- Certificate of completion

## **REQUIRED INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT:**

- Patrol rifle if issued / issued duty weapon
- Duty gear (pistol belt and holster)
- Duty uniform (7 days of training)
- Ballistic vest
- Range gear (eye and ear protection)
- 500 rounds of rifle and 250 rounds of side arm ammunition
  - Ammunition for range sessions available for purchase through GTI
- **Firearms rental available**
  - M4
  - Glock
  - Sig
  - Beretta



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