

# Active Shooter Response (Patrol)

Course description, eligibility, equipment needs & schedule below.



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? This Course is OPOTA-Approved for 2025: Use of Force 7 hours, Officer Wellness 1 hour, Leadership 8 hours.

**All tactics, techniques, or technologies presented at any OTOA advanced training or annual training conference must be implemented in accordance with the United States Constitution, the Ohio Revised Code, and the policies and procedures of the student's employing law enforcement agency.**

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### ELIGIBILITY

- OPOTC-certified peace officers, deputies, and troopers employed full- or part-time by an Ohio law enforcement agency.

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### DESCRIPTION

The OTOA Active Shooter Response (Patrol) is tailored for front-line officers. It provides crucial principles and tactics for handling active threat situations effectively. This course combines classroom instruction on evidence-driven principles with hands-on, skill-based tactical training. Officers are prepared for real-life scenarios, focusing on saving lives and making critical decisions under pressure.

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### UNIQUE TRAINING APPROACH

This course integrates evidence-driven, classroom-based principles with practical, skill-based tactics. Key focus areas include critical incident decision-making, the legal use of force, and de-escalation strategies. The curriculum is designed to equip officers with the skills to respond effectively to active threats, enhancing their ability to protect and save lives.

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### REAL-WORLD APPLICATION

The training culminates in safe, reality-based scenarios that emphasize de-escalation tactics. These practical exercises allow students to demonstrate their proficiency and readiness for real-life challenges, ensuring they can apply their learned skills effectively in active threat situations.

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# STUDENT EQUIPMENT NEEDS

**NO LIVE AMMUNITION OR MAGAZINES PERMITTED WITHIN THE TRAINING ENVIRONMENT OR CLASSROOMS**

**ALL TRAINING WEAPONS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE OTOA FOR SCENARIO-BASED EXERCISES**

## STUDENTS MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING

- Uniform of the day, as required by the agency.
  - Full duty belt based on assignment.
  - Body Armor **MANDATORY**.
  - Duty Pistol, **NO MAGAZINES OR AMMUNITION**.
  - Patrol rifle, **NO MAGAZINES OR AMMUNITION**.
  - **NO** Tasers, **NO** Batons, **NO** OC Spray.
  - Clear wrap-around eye protection: Mandatory for force-on-force scenarios.
  - Pen and notebook.
  - Water and food - No meals are provided.
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## CLASS SCHEDULE

**Class starts at 8:00 AM, and the training days are eight hours long.**

### Day 1

- Introduction to Active Threat Response
- Safety checks and weapons handling
- Focused training on single-officer tactics and principles
- Specialized drills for dealing with hostiles and non-hostiles, including de-escalation strategies
- Practical exercises and debriefing

### Day 2

- Review and safety checks
  - Advanced two-officer tactics and principles
  - Vectoring drills and open space tactics
  - Retake initiative tactics and practical application drills
  - Comprehensive debrief and course wrap-up
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## STUDENT GOALS

- Grasp current trends in active threat incidents.
  - Comprehend response principles to active threats and the importance of prioritizing life.
  - Understand constitutional requirements for the use of deadly force and de-escalation strategies.
  - Learn coordination tactics with uniformed and plain-clothes officers to prevent friendly fire.
  - Collaborate effectively with security professionals and armed civilians.
  - Master and demonstrate proficiency in two mission-driven tactics for active threat response.
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## LODGING, TRAVEL & MEALS

The course cost does not include lodging, transportation, and food.

- Attendees are responsible for their lodging, transportation, and food.
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Schedule this FREE training for your agency or select from the available dates below.

Don't see a date that works for you or the agency?

**HOST THIS TRAINING**

If the course is FULL, Join the Waitlist.