

Auto-Pistol Continuation Course

Course Duration: 5 Days

Prerequisites: Basic pistol certification, Be physically capable of running, jumping, bending and twisting, squatting and kneeling, lifting and carrying more than 50 pounds, and restraining or grappling with people.

Course Tuition: \$0

Course Dates: June 9, 2025 – June 13, 2025

Course Location: Anchorage

Course Description:

The Auto-Pistol Continuation Course is a physically and tactically challenging course designed to further develop skills learned during a basic pistol course as well as develop new skills to better prepare officers for using their pistol in the line of duty. The Auto-Pistol Continuation Course is not an introductory course and students that attend the class will be expected to show an above mandatory minimum understanding of their weapon system and pistol shooting ability. The techniques and tactics that will be taught will require dynamic movements and a moderate level of physical fitness. Topics covered will include additional coaching on fundamentals, one handed manipulations, use of cover/concealment, shooting with a partner, shooting from vehicles, room clearing, low light, weapon retention, and more.

At the beginning of the course, students will be required to shoot a standard DOC duty qualification and are required to score a minimum of 200 points to continue in the course. Shooters will be required to complete every drill as written and be able to safely recover from a low-profile position under their own power with their firearm in their hand. If a copy of the qualification is needed for training prior to attending the course, please reach out to the course point of contact. Students that are unable to demonstrate proficiency with their firearm or who are physically incapable of safely assuming and recovering from low profile positions will be terminated from the course.

In order to pass the course, students must not miss more than 10% of the scheduled hours and must exhibit safe weapon handling during the entirety of the course. Students that are observed violating firearms safety rules may be terminated from the course.

On the last day of the course there will be a force-on-force training which will include the use of simunition non-lethal training ammunition (NLTA). Students are encouraged to bring their own groin protection (cup), thick clothing (Carhartt) that can be ruined with paint marks, face protection (paintball mask) and protective gloves (mechanix mpact gloves).

Required equipment:

- Uniform/BDUs, range boots
- Outdoor clothing appropriate for the season, jacket & rain gear
- Duty vest
- Duty belt with holster and magazine pouch
- Handgun with at least 3 magazines
- Optic zeroing tool if using MRDS
- Extra batteries for weapon mounted light (if equipped) and MRDS (if equipped)
- 1,500 rounds pistol FMJ
- 250 rounds marking simunition NLTA (FX) (DOC training academy may provide)
- NLTA pistol/conversion kit capable of firing NLTA marking rounds (DOC training academy may provide)
- Handheld light(s) with spare batteries
- Eye and ear protection (clear eye protection for low light)
- Gloves
- Food and drink

Optional equipment:

- Knee pads
- NLTA PPE (mpact gloves, groin protection, heavy clothing, face protection) (DOC training academy may provide face protection)
- Method of carrying tourniquet
- Weapon cleaning kit