

SUBCHAPTER 09F - CONCEALED HANDGUN TRAINING

SECTION .0100 - CONCEALED HANDGUN TRAINING PROGRAM

12 NCAC 09F .0101 PURPOSE

In order to ensure a minimum level of familiarization and proficiency in specific topical areas for citizens who lawfully carry handguns concealed, the Commission establishes these rules for the concealed handgun training program and the administration of the program.

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12 NCAC 09F .0102 TOPICAL AREAS

The course entitled "Concealed Carry Handgun Training" shall consist of eight hours of instruction and shall include the following identified topical areas:

- (1) Legal Issues (two hours): The student shall be able to explain the following:
 - (a) the types of situations when the use of deadly physical force would be justified;
 - (b) list the areas where the carrying of a concealed handgun is prohibited;
 - (c) the requirements for handgun storage under G.S. 14-315.1; and
 - (d) the laws governing the carrying of a concealed handgun.The instructor shall determine the student's level of understanding of the relevant legal issues by administering a written examination.
- (2) Handgun Nomenclature: The instructor shall identify to the students the primary parts of the revolver and semiautomatic handgun.
- (3) Handgun Safety: The students shall be able to:
 - (a) list at least four rules of safe gun handling and demonstrate all of these procedures during range exercises;
 - (b) list four methods of safely storing a handgun and choose the method most appropriate for their personal use;
 - (c) describe safety issues relating to the safe carry of a handgun; and
 - (d) determine the proper storage of their handguns when there are minors in the home.
- (4) Handgun Fundamentals: The instructor shall demonstrate to the students:
 - (a) how to load both a revolver and a semiautomatic handgun;
 - (b) how to unload both a revolver and a semiautomatic handgun; and
 - (c) the operational characteristics of the revolver and the semiautomatic handgun.
- (5) Marksmanship Fundamentals: The student shall be able to:
 - (a) demonstrate a proper handgun grip;
 - (b) demonstrate either the Weaver or Isosceles Stance;
 - (c) describe the elements of sight alignment and sight picture; and
 - (d) demonstrate trigger control in a dry fire exercise.
- (6) Presentation Techniques: The instructor shall demonstrate to the students the draw or presentation of the revolver and semiautomatic handgun with a variety of holster types.
- (7) Cleaning and Maintenance: The instructor shall demonstrate to the student:
 - (a) how to "field strip" the handguns if the handgun can be field stripped;
 - (b) how to perform a "Function Check"; and
 - (c) based on the manufacturer's recommendations, list the lubrication points of the specific handguns being demonstrated.
- (8) Ammunition: The instructor shall list and explain the four components of ammunition.

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12 NCAC 09F .0103 APPROVAL OF COURSES

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12 NCAC 09F .0104 INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS

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12 NCAC 09F .0105 INSTRUCTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

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12 NCAC 09F .0106 SANCTIONS

- (a) The Commission shall suspend an approved course if the Commission finds that the course has failed to meet or maintain the required standards for approval, pursuant to Rule .0103 of this Section.
- (b) The Commission, through the Standards Division, shall randomly conduct unannounced audits of a Concealed Carry Handgun course taught by a certified Concealed Carry Handgun instructor for compliance with the requirements of this Subchapter.
- (c) The Commission shall deny, suspend, or revoke the certification of instructor status if the Commission finds that the instructor:
- (1) failed to meet or maintain the required course and instruction standards approved by the Commission as set forth in 12 NCAC 09F .0102 or 12 NCAC 09F .0105;
 - (2) failed to submit modification of courses or change in instructor status;
 - (3) submitted any non-sufficient funds check;
 - (4) falsified any record of completion with a passing score of an approved course;
 - (5) distributed any certificate provided by the Commission without the named permittee undertaking the approved course from that instructor;
 - (6) taught any Concealed Carry Handgun course or approved certification while the instructor's certification was suspended by the Commission;
 - (7) is ineligible to receive and possess a firearm under federal or North Carolina state law; or
 - (8) instructs a class without having a valid Concealed Carry Handgun Instructor Certification as established in 12 NCAC 09F .0104.
- (d) Instructors who have lost certified status pursuant to Subparagraphs (1), (2), or (3) of Paragraph (c) of this Rule may reapply for certification upon documentation of compliance after one year has elapsed from the date of

suspension of the instructor's certification by the Commission. Instructors who have lost certified status pursuant to Subparagraphs (4), (5), (6), or (7) of Paragraph (c) of this Rule shall have their certification suspended or permanently revoked by the Commission as set forth in 12 NCAC 09A .0206.

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12 NCAC 09F .0107 FILING AND FEES

(a) Each instructor of an approved course shall file with the Commission a copy of the firearms course description, outline, and proof of instructor certification at least annually, or upon modification of the course if it occurs before the annual certification. A fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be submitted for the initial and annual filing of a course. If modification of the course occurs before the renewal filing date, a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged.

(b) Instructors shall, in writing, request the number of certificates needed and shall remit a fee of two dollars (\$2.00) per certificate with a minimum request of 25 certificates per instructor. Requests for certificates shall be sent to:

Criminal Justice Standards Division
North Carolina Department of Justice
1700 Tryon Park Drive
Post Office Drawer 149
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602

All such fees shall be paid by certified check made payable to the North Carolina Department of Justice.

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