

**14B NCAC 16 .1407 TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR ARMED ARMORED CAR SERVICE GUARDS**

(a) Prior to applying, applicants for an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit shall complete the basic training course for unarmed armored car service guards set forth in Rule .1307(a) of this Chapter. Private Investigator Licensees applying for an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit shall complete a four hour training course consisting of blocks of instruction "The Security Officer in North Carolina" and "Legal Issues for Security Officers" as set forth in Rule .1307(a) of this Chapter. Private Investigator Licensees applying for an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit are not required to complete the following training blocks found in the basic training course referenced in Rule .1307(a) of this Chapter: "Emergency Responses," "Department," "Armored Security Operations," and "Safe Driver Training." A Private Investigator Licensee applying for an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit shall meet all additional training requirements set forth in Rule .1307(a) of this Chapter as well as the training requirements set forth in this Rule.

(b) Applicants for an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit shall complete a basic training course for armed security guards that consists of at least 20 hours of classroom instruction including:

- (1) legal limitations on the use of handguns and on the powers and authority of an armed security guard, including familiarity with rules relating to armed security guards -- (minimum of four hours);
- (2) handgun safety, including range firing procedures -- (minimum of one hour);
- (3) handgun operation and maintenance -- (minimum of three hours);
- (4) handgun fundamentals -- (minimum of eight hours); and
- (5) night firing -- (minimum of four hours).

(c) Applicants for an armed armored service guard firearm registration permit shall attain a score of at least 80 percent accuracy on a firearms range qualification course adopted by the Board and the Secretary of Public Safety, a copy of which is on file in the Director's office. Should a student fail to attain a score of 80 percent accuracy, the student shall be given an additional three attempts to qualify on the course of fire he or she did not pass, which additional attempts shall take place within 20 days of the completion of the initial 20 hour course. Failure to meet the qualification after three additional attempts shall require the student to repeat the entire basic training course for armed security guards.

(d) All armed security guard training required by this Chapter shall be administered by a certified trainer and shall be successfully completed no more than 90 days prior to the date of issuance of the armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit.

(e) All applicants for an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit shall obtain training under the provisions of this Rule using their duty weapon and their duty ammunition or ballistic equivalent ammunition, to include lead-free ammunition that meets the same point of aim, point of impact, and felt recoil of the duty ammunition, for all weapons.

(f) No more than six new or renewal armed armored car service guard applicants per one instructor shall be placed on the firing line at any one time during firearms range training.

(g) Applicants for re-certification of an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit shall complete a basic recertification training course for armed armored car guards that consists of at least four hours of classroom instruction and is a review of the requirements set forth in Subparagraphs (b)(1) through (b)(5) of this Rule. The recertification course is valid for 180 days after completion of the course. Applicants for recertification of an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit shall also complete the requirements of Paragraph (c) of this Rule.

(h) To be authorized to carry a standard 12 gauge shotgun in the performance of his or her duties as an armed armored car service guard, an applicant shall complete, in addition to the requirements of Paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this Rule, five hours of classroom training that shall include the following:

- (1) legal limitations on the use of shotguns (minimum of one hour);
- (2) shotgun safety, including range firing procedures (minimum of one hour);
- (3) shotgun operation and maintenance (minimum of one hour);
- (4) shotgun fundamentals (minimum of one hour); and
- (5) night firing (minimum of one hour.)

An applicant may take the additional shotgun training at a time after the initial training in Subparagraph (b) of this Rule. If the shotgun training is completed at a later time, the shotgun certification shall run concurrently with the armed registration permit.

(i) In addition to the requirements set forth in Paragraph (h) of this Rule, applicants shall attain a score of at least 80 percent accuracy on a shotgun range qualification course adopted by the Board and the Secretary of Public Safety, a copy of which is on file in the Director's office.

(j) Applicants for shotgun recertification shall complete an additional one hour of classroom training as set forth in Subparagraphs (h)(1) through (h)(5) of this Rule and shall also complete the requirements of Paragraph (i) of this Rule.

(k) Applicants for an armed armored car service guard firearm registration permit who possess a current firearms trainer certificate shall be given, upon their written request, a firearms registration permit that will run concurrently with the trainer certificate upon completion of an annual qualification with their duty weapons as set forth in Paragraph (c) of this Rule.

(l) An armed armored car service guard shall qualify annually for both day and night firing with his or her duty weapon and shotgun, if applicable. If the armed armored car service guard fails to qualify on either course of fire, the guard cannot carry a firearm until such time as he or she meets the qualification requirements. Upon failure to qualify, the firearm instructor shall notify the armed armored car service guard that he or she is no longer authorized to carry a firearm, and the firearm instructor shall notify the employer and the Board on the next business day.

(m) Armed armored car service guard personnel may also work as armed security guards only if they hold an unarmed or armed security guard registration.

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