

## **12 NCAC 09G .0415      CORRECTIONS SPECIALIZED INSTRUCTOR TRAINING – FIREARMS**

(a) The instructor training course requirement for Corrections Specialized Instructor Training – Firearms certification shall consist of at least 80 hours of instruction presented during a period of not more than two consecutive weeks. If the Governor declares a State of Emergency pursuant to G.S. 166A-19.3(19), the Director of the Criminal Justice Standards Division shall allow additional breaks in a specific course delivery when the Director determines that doing so is necessary based on consideration of the following factors:

- (1) Whether instruction has begun in the course or whether course initiation may be postponed;
- (2) The risk of harm to students that may be caused by continuation of the course;
- (3) Whether those enrolled in the course have been or will likely be called to action to help address the State of Emergency;
- (4) The specific need for the waiver; and
- (5) The degree of benefit to the public in allowing a break in instruction.

Notice of waivers granted pursuant to the Section shall be posted on the CJETS website <https://ncdoj.gov/law-enforcement-training/criminal-justice/>. The waivers granted pursuant to this Section shall only apply to courses that began during the effective period of the State of Emergency.

(b) Each Corrections Specialized Instructor Training – Firearms course shall be designed to provide the trainee with the skills and knowledge to perform the function of a corrections firearms instructor in the "Basic Training – Correctional Officer" course, "Basic Training - Probation/Parole Officer" course, and in-service training courses for correctional officers and probation/parole officers.

(c) Each Corrections Specialized Firearms Instructor Training course shall include the following topical areas:

- (1) Course Overview;
- (2) Legal Considerations for Firearm Instructors;
- (3) Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction Firearms Training Courses;
- (4) Firearms Safety;
- (5) Range Operations;
- (6) Medical Emergencies on the Range;
- (7) Handgun – Operation, Use and Maintenance:
  - (A) Handgun Training – Classroom and Range;
  - (B) Handgun Low/Limited Light Fire; and
  - (C) Handgun Care and Maintenance;
- (8) Advanced Handgun Training – Classroom and Range;
- (9) Shotgun Operation, Use and Maintenance:
  - (A) Shotgun Training – Classroom and Range;
  - (B) Shotgun Low/Limited Light Fire – Range; and
  - (C) Shotgun Care and Maintenance;
- (10) Special Techniques, Training Aids, and Methods;
- (11) Situational Use of Firearms:
  - (A) The Shooting Decision;
  - (B) Situational Use of Firearms;
  - (C) Situational Exercises – Day; and
  - (D) Situational Exercises – Low/Limited Light; and
- (12) Administrative Matters, Testing, and Evaluation.

(d) The Commission certified school that is certified to offer the "Corrections Specialized Instructor Training - Firearms" course is the Office of Staff Development and Training of the North Carolina Department of Public Safety.

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