

## **12 NCAC 09H .0102 MINIMUM TRAINING SPECIFICATIONS**

- (a) Firearms Training and Qualification shall consist of a minimum of four hours and include the requirements of Paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of this Rule.
- (b) Each qualified retired law enforcement officer shall qualify with each handgun he or she carries in accordance with the guidelines in the In-Service Firearms Qualification Manual as published by the North Carolina Justice Academy relating to rounds fired, distances, the ratio of shots fired from each yard line and positions of fire.
- (c) Qualification shall include a day and night qualification course with each handgun he or she carries, and a single day and night combat course with one handgun that he or she carries.
- (d) Each qualified retired law enforcement officer shall receive a minimum of two hours of instruction on the North Carolina laws of self-defense, the use of force by private citizens, detention of persons by private persons, and assistance to law enforcement officers by private citizens.
- (e) Instruction shall include a review of firearms safety and basic marksmanship fundamentals.
- (f) The qualification requirements shall be achieved at least once in a single day in no more than three attempts per day for each course of fire and for each weapon for which qualification is required. Officers not qualifying in a single day for each course of fire shall be deemed as a failure and the retired qualified law enforcement officers shall not be allowed to carry that weapon until such time as the qualification requirements have been met.
- (g) Qualified retired law enforcement officers shall be certified for a period of 12 months from the date the application is approved by the Commission. Upon application for renewal, the certification shall be renewed by the Commission for 12-month periods provided the qualified retired law enforcement officer meets the rules specified in this Subchapter.

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