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# **DEFENSIVE SECURITY TRAINING ACADEMY**



**FIREARM TRAINING CURRICULUM  
MANDATED BY THE STATE OF GEORGIA**

## **RULE 509-3-.10 FIREARM TRAINING CURRICULUM FOR HANDGUNS.**

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

### **509-3-.10 Firearm Training Curriculum for Handguns.**

(1) This curriculum is intended to meet the minimum requirements of the Georgia Board of Private Detective and Security Agencies. A minimum passing score of 80% must be achieved on a written exam addressing the topics listed below in subparagraphs (a), (b), (1) (i), (1) (ii), (1) (iii), and (c), proctored by a firearms instructor licensed by the Board. A minimum passing score of 80% must be achieved on the firing range, proctored by a firearms instructor licensed by the Board. All armed personnel must comply with the requirements of Board Rule 509-4-.01.

(2) The holders of weapon permits must qualify with the same type weapon carried. ~~A minimum of 144 rounds of ammunition must be fired as practice and t~~ Two (2) strings of 48 rounds with the highest score to be used for qualification with a minimum qualifying score of 80%. A minimum of 15 hours of instruction is required for the firearm training curriculum for handguns, administered by an instructor who is licensed by the Board, consisting of the following:

- (a) One (1) hour of instruction in the use of deadly force. The instruction shall include Georgia Laws 16-3-21 & 17-4-20, Official Code of Georgia Annotated;
- (b) Two (2) hours of instruction in liability issues. The instruction shall include Georgia Laws 16-1-3(5), 16-1-3(6), Title 42, USC Sec. 1983;
  1. Issues to be covered shall include three (3) situations which justify use of deadly force. Three (3) situations are as follows:
    - (i) Defense of self from great bodily harm of death;
    - (ii) Defense of a third person from great bodily harm of death; and
    - (iii) To prevent the commission of a forcible felony.
- (c) One hour of instruction in ballistics to include selecting the proper ammunition and factors that affect trajectory, over-penetration and ricochet;
- (d) Three hours of instruction in types of handguns. This instruction shall include the following:
  1. Nomenclature;
  2. Selection of a handgun;
  3. Selection of proper ammunition;
  4. Care and cleaning of a handgun;
  5. Proper techniques for storage, loading and unloading a handgun;
  6. Selection of the proper holster and equipment for your weapon;
  7. Weapon retention techniques.
- (e) Eight (8) hours of instruction in firearm range qualifications. This instruction shall include the following:
  1. Proper stance;
  2. Proper grip and draw;
  3. Sight alignment, sight picture, and trigger control;

4. Firearm range safety;
5. Range procedures and rules of conduct;
6. Course of fire as set by instructor to include, but not limited to, the following:
  - Distance Rounds
  - 3 Yards 24
  - 7 Yards 18
  - 15 Yards 6