

# Active Shooter Response (Tactical Teams)

Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)    Cost: \$0



Approved for CPT: Use of Force 7 hours, Officer Wellness 1 hour, Leadership 8 hours.

## Eligibility

OPOTC-certified peace officers, deputies, and troopers assigned full or part-time to an Ohio law enforcement agency tactical team.

Tactical medics (TEMS) are also eligible if they are OPOTC certified as Ohio peace officers, assigned to a tactical team, and employed full—or part-time by an Ohio governmental agency.

## Description

The OTOA's Active Shooter Response for Tactical Teams 16-hour course equips tactical teams to effectively manage active threat situations, primarily focusing on saving lives. This distinctive program merges evidence-driven principles with hands-on tactics, concentrating on critical decision-making, the lawful use of force, and de-escalation strategies, all while comprehensively addressing human behavior under extreme stress.

Participants will gain insights into the psychological aspects of stress, the Constitutional Use of Force, and collaboration techniques with other officers. This will culminate in practical, reality-based scenarios that solidify the application of these skills for real-world readiness.

## Equipment List

- **NO LIVE AMMUNITION OR MAGAZINES PERMITTED WITHIN THE TRAINING ENVIRONMENT OR CLASSROOMS**
- **ALL TRAINING RIFLES WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE OTOA FOR SCENARIO-BASED EXERCISES**
- ALL EQUIPMENT utilized for a “call out” or SWAT / SRT activation
- Tactical team or training uniform
- **MANDATORY** Plate carrier and Level II or Level III soft body armor
- Ballistic Helmet
- Issued Firearms - Pistol & Rifle (used for practice - **NO Mags & NO Ammo**)
- **NO Tasers, NO Batons, NO OC Spray**
- Clear wrap-around eye protection (**Mandatory for force-on-force scenarios**)
- Gloves suitable for weapon manipulation
- Ballistic shields (if you use them)
- Pen and notebook
- Water and food - No meals provided
- OTOA will provide Training Pistols/Rifles, Appropriate Safety Equipment, and Training Munitions for Scenario-Based Training.

## Class Schedule

**Start Time:** Class begins promptly at 8:00 AM. The course spans a minimum of 8 hours per day and is structured to ensure comprehensive coverage over two days.

**Note:** Students will receive a scheduled lunch break; however, lunch will not be provided. Please plan accordingly and bring your own food and beverages.

## Student Goals

- Comprehend trends in active threat incidents
- Grasp the “active dying” concept and the urgency of immediate response
- Understand the Constitutional Use of Deadly Force and strategies for de-escalation
- Learn to coordinate with uniformed and plainclothes officers, avoiding friendly fire incidents
- Collaborate with security professionals and armed civilians
- Practice safe gun handling and mission-driven tactical responses
- Achieve proficiency in OTOA's mission-driven tactics

## Medical

If you are allergic to bees, outdoor plants, or animals, please bring your epinephrine pen or other medication.

Life-threatening allergies and pre-existing injuries or conditions must be reported to the OTOA training staff on day one of training.

## Lodging, Travel, and Meals

Attendees are responsible for their lodging, transportation, and food.

***All tactics, techniques, or technologies presented at any OTOA advanced training or annual training conference must be implemented in accordance with the United States Constitution, the Ohio Revised Code, and the policies and procedures of the student’s employing law enforcement agency.***

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