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**North Carolina Private Protective Services (PPS)  
Firearms Training Course Outline and Requirements  
3-Day Handgun Course (Page 1 of 2)**

The PPS(B) requires an Armed Guard Applicant to complete a 20 hour (minimum) classroom plus qualification time “Firearms Training” program for handguns. IMFs Corporation offers an intense and demanding Three Day Course to meet this requirement.

Please, see the requirements immediately following the schedule before attempting this type of intense training. During all aspects of training the students should be dressed in “duty clothing or uniforms”.

**Day 1 Schedule 10:00am “until” (usually 8+ hours)  
Basics, Mechanics, Bio-Mechanics, Techniques, Operations**

Modules from the book that do not involve use of force or legal issues are covered: Module II Safety (1 hour); Module III Handgun Operation and Maintenance (Three [+] hours); Module IV Marksmanship Fundamentals (Eight [+] hours – four of the required 8 on Day 1). Modules 2-4 account for a minimum of 12 hours of training, 8-9 will be completed on Day 1. Dry runs of Qualifications begins in the classroom on Day 1.

**Day 2 Schedule 10:00am “until” (usually 8+ hours)  
Fundamentals, Night/Low-Light Operations, Dry runs of Qualifications**

Day Two begins with the completion of Module IV Marksmanship Fundamentals and ends with Module V: Night Firing (Four [+] hours).

**Day 3 Schedule 10:00am “until” (usually 11+ hours)  
Legal, Range, Practice and Qualification Attempts**

Starting at 10:00am Module I: Legal (Four hours). Day 3 is arranged to meet the requirements for handgun re-certification. Renewal participants will join on Day 3. 2-3pm lunch break. After four hours “minimum” of legal, range training begins. Dry and live-fire training and practice as needed. As soon as applicants are ready, Day Qualification attempts will be shot. After Day Qualifications, night/flashlight techniques will be practiced as needed. A break will be had in the late afternoon. As soon as it is dark enough Night Qualifications will begin. After Night Qualifications at least one hour should be planned for the paperwork, range clean-up and firearms cleaning (as required by the employer).

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### **Participant Requirements and Recommendations**

Participants **MUST** have and utilize **ALL** of their duty equipment during all training. This includes, but is not limited to: on-duty clothing or uniforms including belts and hats/caps; duty guns and holsters (and accessories, magazine pouches, at least two extra magazines, etc.); duty flashlights. Participants cannot “train and qualify” with one set of equipment and then go “on the job” with another. Manufacturer, model and serial number of each gun is turned in with the final paperwork.

DO NOT bring any LIVE AMMUNITION to the classroom.

All fees **MUST** be paid in advance. IMFs Corporation does not “bill later” or offer a credit plan.

On Day 3 participants **MUST** have **AT LEAST 400** rounds of “Duty Ammunition” (or ballistic equivalent) for each handgun they intend to qualify with. This is “only enough” ammunition for three day and night qualification attempts, and some practice and/or live-fire training. Running out of ammunition – for any reason – is not an excuse from a “Did Not Qualify” result of this training.

Participants should bring all necessary note keeping supplies. Course costs for new participants include the “Private Protective Services Firearms Training Manual – STUDENT” book.

Participants **MUST** be physically and mentally capable of long hours with a great deal of physical activity. Throughout the training we will do a lot of stance/position transitions, drills (draw, load/unload, malfunction) and “dry runs” of the Qualification Courses of Fire. There is no “physical disability” language in the PPS rules: Participants **MUST** be able to transition from standing to kneeling, kneeling to standing, standing to prone and prone to standing without assistance.

Participants should bring any meals, drinks and/or snacks that they require to endure a 8-10 (or more) hour work/training day. Breaks are given every hour.

Participants should take advantage of any time before they start class to familiarize themselves with their holsters and firearms. They absolutely should learn the “Four Rules of Gun Safety” before it is taught here. Students should have a good comprehension of the “Basic Security” duties and responsibilities, especially the legalities and use of force.

Reference / Reading / Legal Links

12 NCAC 07D .0807 TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR ARMED SECURITY GUARDS : pdf : <https://bit.ly/2Ku0jOI>

North Carolina “Private Protective Services Act” :

[http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/enactedlegislation/statutes/html/bychapter/chapter\\_74c.html](http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/enactedlegislation/statutes/html/bychapter/chapter_74c.html)

NC PPS Board (PPSB) Web : <https://www.ncdps.gov/Index2.cfm?a=000003,003034>