

TACTICAL WOODLAND OPERATIONS SCHOOL, LLC

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HIGH-RISK WOODLAND OPERATION COURSE (LEVEL I)

OVERVIEW

This course trains the officer/team to conduct high-risk operations that occur in a woodland or rural environment. The student will receive instruction in disciplines involved in woodland operations: Tactical Movement, Visual Tracking, Land Navigation, and Principles of Camouflage. A variety of training methodology is used in the course including classroom lecture, drills, field exercises and case study. Each discipline will include instruction in the following areas:

Tactical Movement: This part of the class focuses on tactical team formations and how these formations will increase officer safety and fugitive apprehension rate. The student will use formations to follow a fugitive, clear danger areas, and execute woodland arrest techniques.

Visual Tracking: During this segment of the training, the student will receive instruction in the value of tracking as both an apprehension and an investigation tool. Evidence recovery, the aging of sign, following a line of sign, elimination tracking, lost sign procedures, crime scene identification/reconstruction, and becoming an expert witness will be some of the skills taught.

Land Navigation: The Land Navigation portion of this class will include instruction on using the following: topographic maps, coordinate systems, compass, GPS, mapping systems, declination, route planning, terrain association, and resection.

Principles of Camouflage: Students will be trained in the 7 principles of camouflage and learn how to apply natural and artificial camouflage to equipment and personnel. These principles will be applied throughout training exercises.

Each of our instructors has extensive field experience in high-risk woodland operations and have superior knowledge in these areas. In addition to these disciplines, the officer will receive instruction in operational planning, patrol tactics, and command and control. This is a 5-day course but can be structured to meet agency needs.

HOW THIS COURSE HAS BEEN USED:

Both individual officers as well as members of SWAT, snipers, military units, and counter assault teams have found this course necessary in the following operations:

- Counter-terrorism
- Rural surveillance
- High-risk warrant service
- Fugitive manhunts
- Counter-narcotics enforcement
- Arson investigation
- Border protection
- Wildlife poaching
- Prisoner recovery
- Environmental crimes