



Washington Cities Insurance Authority (WCIA)

in partnership with

Washington Counties Risk Pool (WCRP)

proudly sponsor:

Sergeant's Investigation of Force

Trainer:

Tom Ovens, Police Training Solutions

Two-Day Training:

Thursday, October 19 and Friday, October 20, 2023

Time on both dates:

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (16 hours total)

Location:

Ridgefield Administrative and Civic Center

Columbia Assembly Room

510 Pioneer Street

Ridgefield, WA 98642

Audience:

Law Enforcement and Corrections Supervisors

Description:

It is crucial that Sergeants understand the current standards for using force, documenting force and critically analyzing force. They also must investigate force incidents. A quality investigation by the sergeant will ensure that officers are following law, policy and training, putting their officers in the best place to explain their actions.

Course Highlights:

- Incident Screening
- Scene Investigation
- Use of Force Reporting
- Investigation of Force
- Critical Analysis of Force
- Coaching and Counseling



Instructor Information:

The instructor, Tom Ovens, is an experienced trainer and use of force expert whose agency is now working under the most current national best practices established for police use of force and force review. Tom has over 21 years of experience testifying in court and consulting as an expert witness at the federal and state level on use of force (over two hundred cases). He provides a unique and valuable perspective on how agencies and officers can best navigate the fluid and constantly changing environment that they must now know how to operate in safely and effectively. His mission is to provide you with the most innovative knowledge and processes related to use of force and the potential liability associated with these traumatic encounters.

Participant Expectations:

- Must attend both consecutive dates (16 hours total) to receive attendance credit. No modifications.
- No refreshments provided- participants are encouraged to provide their own snacks and beverages.
- Lunch on your own.

Registration:

- Participants must register in advance. Registration is due by **12:00 p.m.** on **Monday, October 16, 2023.**
- Registering for the training will automatically enroll participant for both dates. Attendance to both dates is required.
- Register early- limited to 28 participants.

Registration Fees: WCIA Members: Free | Non-WCIA Members: \$340 per person*

***Washington Counties Risk Pool (WCRP) Members:**

Members of the WCRP are eligible to register for this training at no cost on a first come, first served basis. Please register with WCIA, who will then bill the WCRP directly for the cost of registration. Travel costs such as meals or overnight lodging will be the county's responsibility.

Questions? Contact the WCRP Member Services Team:

MemberServices@wcrp.wa.gov.

NEW in 2023 Cancellation Fee:

Cancellation is required at least 2 business days before the first day of the training. Registrants who cancel less than 2 business days before the training date will be invoiced a \$340 cancellation fee.



No-Show Fee:

Registrants who do not cancel in advance and do not attend will be invoiced a \$340 No-Show Fee.

To Register:

Click on the link to go to that event's registration page.

- **[Sergeant's Investigation of Force-Ridgefield-10/19/2023 and 10/20/2023](#)**

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