

# 2009-2010

## Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Regional Police Academy and Training Center Annual Training Calendar



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LRGVDC Regional Police Academy 2009-2010 Training Calendar –

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Regional Police Academy and Training Center  
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***Board Meeting Dates***

*(all meetings start at 9:00 a.m. at TSTC unless otherwise noted):*



*October 22, 2009 (1<sup>st</sup> Quarter)*

- *Agenda*
- *Minutes*

*January 21, 2010 (2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter)*

- *Agenda*
- *Minutes*

*April 15, 2010 (3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter)*

- *Agenda*
- *Minutes*

*July 22, 2010 (4<sup>th</sup> Quarter)*

- *Agenda*
- *Minutes*

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# Monthly Calendars



# SEPTEMBER 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 	8 Use of Force [2107] (16 hours)	9 Use of Force [2107] (16 hours)	10	11	12
13	14 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours)	15 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours)	16 	17 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours)	18 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours)	19
20	21	22 Racial Profiling [3256] (8 hours)	23	24	25	26
27	28 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)	29 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)	30 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)			




# OCTOBER 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Human Trafficking [3720] (32 hours) 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	6 Human Trafficking [3720] (32 hours)	7	8	9	10
11	12 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	13	14	15 Identity Theft [3277] (4 hours: 8:00-12:00)  Asset Forfeiture [3255] (2 hours: 1:00-4:00)	16 8:00 – 12:00 Harlingen Day Academy (137) Orientation	17 8:00 – 12:00 Harlingen Night Academy (138) Orientation
18	19 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	20	21	22 Police Advisory Board Meeting (9:00)	23 8:00 – 12:00 Mission Day Academy (139) Orientation	24
25	26 Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours) 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5} Financial Investigations (24 hours)	27 Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours) Financial Investigations (24 hours)	28 Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours) Financial Investigations (24 hours)	29	30 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5} – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	31 



# NOVEMBER 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	3 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	4 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	5 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	6 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	7
8	9 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	10	11 	12	13	14
15	16 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours) 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	17 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	18 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	19 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	20 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	21
22	23 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	24	25		27 LRGVDC Thanksgiving Holiday 	28
29	30 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}					

# DECEMBER 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Crisis Intervention Training [3841] (16 hours)	2 Crisis Intervention Training [3841] (16 hours)	3 Notary Public Training (1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.)	4 Racial Profiling [3256] (8 hours)	5
6	7 Use of Force [2107] (16 hours) 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	8 Use of Force [2107] (16 hours)	9 New Supervisor's Course [3737] (24 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	10 Search Warrant Review (16 hours) New Supervisor's Course [3737] (24 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	11 Search Warrant Review (16 hours) New Supervisor's Course [3737] (24 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	12
13	14 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	15 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	16 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	17 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	18 Cultural Diversity [3939] (8 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	19
20	21 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	22	23			26
27	28 2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours) {8-12 & 1-5}	29	30			

# JANUARY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17		<b>19</b> Identity Theft [3277] (4 hours: 8:00-12:00)  Asset Forfeiture [3255] (2 hours: 1:00-4:00)	20	21 Police Advisory Board Meeting (9:00)	22	23
24	25 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours): San Benito Police Department	26 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours) : San Benito Police Department	27 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours) : San Benito Police Department	28 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours) : San Benito Police Department	29 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours) : San Benito Police Department	30
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# FEBRUARY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	9 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	10 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	11 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	12 Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	13
		16 Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours)	17 <i>Protecting Our Children: A Comprehensive Training Program for Law Enforcement Professionals (8 hours)</i> Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours)	18 Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours)	19	20
21	22 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)	23 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)	24 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)	25	26	27
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# MARCH 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Training Symposium AWR148 (8 hours) - Crisis Management for School- Based Incidents – Partnering Rural Law Enforcement and the Local School Systems	2 Training Symposium @ Sheraton South Padre Island: <b>MGT310 (24 hours) - Threat &amp; Risk Assessment</b>	3 Training Symposium @ Sheraton South Padre Island: <b>MGT310 (24 hours) - Threat &amp; Risk Assessment</b>	4 Training Symposium @ Sheraton South Padre Island: <b>MGT310 (24 hours) - Threat &amp; Risk Assessment</b>	5 <b>Training Symposium @ Sheraton South Padre Island: HWS020 (8 hours) - Safe Prac- tices for Traffic Inci- dent Responders</b>	6
7	8 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	9 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	10 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	11 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	12 Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)	13
14	15 Use of Force [2107] (16 hours)	16 Use of Force [2107] (16 hours)	17	18	19 Combating Terror- ism and Narco- Terrorism; TSTC Harlingen (8-hours)	20
21	22	23 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)	24 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)	25 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)	26 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)	27
28	29 Crisis Intervention Training [3841] (16 hours)	30 Crisis Intervention Training [3841] (16 hours)	31			


# APRIL 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					2	3
4	5 Human Trafficking [3720] (32 hours)	6 Human Trafficking [3720] (32 hours)	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Police Advisory Board Meeting (9:00)	16	17
18	19 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)	20 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)	21 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)	22 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

# MAY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4		6	7	8
9	10 Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours)	11 Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours)	12 Arrest, Search and Seizure [3108] (24 hours)	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Identity Theft [3277] (4 hours: 8:00-12:00)  Asset Forfeiture [3255] (2 hours: 1:00-4:00)	21	22
23	24	25	26 Civil Process [3131] (20 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	27 Civil Process [3131] (20 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	28 Civil Process [3131] (20 hours) – Willacy County Sheriff's Office	29
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# JUNE 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Crisis Intervention Training [3841] (16 hours)	18 Crisis Intervention Training [3841] (16 hours)	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)	29 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)	30 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)			

# JULY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)	2	3
	5	6	7 New Supervisor's Course [3737] (24 hours)	8 New Supervisor's Course [3737] (24 hours)	9 New Supervisor's Course [3737] (24 hours)	10
11	12	13	14	15 Use of Force [2107] (16 hours)	16 Use of Force [2107] (16 hours)	17
18	19	20	21	22 Police Advisory Board Meeting (9:00)	23	24
25	26 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)	27 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)	28 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)	29 Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)	30	31

# AUGUST 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Racial Profiling [3256] (8 hours)	4	5	6	7
8	9 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours)	10 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours)	11 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours)	12 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours)	13 Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours)	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)	24 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)	25 Spanish [2109] (20 hours)	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# Other Courses Being Developed and/or Considered

## Intermediate Peace Officer Courses



**Other classes being considered/developed (check back for updates):**

- Active Shooter (basic)
- Active Shooter (train-the-trainer)
- Advance School Resource Officer
- Basic School Resource Officer
- Criminal Intelligence
- Drug Awareness
- Financial Investigation Techniques
- Gangs and Gang Activities
- PPCT Defensive Tactics
- Terrorism

**Intermediate Peace Officer Courses:**

- Arrest, Search and Seizure (10/26-28, 1/11-13, 5/10-12)
- Asset Forfeiture (10/15, 1/19, 5/20)
- Child Abuse Prevention and Investigation (11/3-6, 3/23-26, 6/28-7/1)
- Crime Scene Investigation (12/14-17, 4/19-22, 7/26-29)
- Crisis Intervention Techniques (12/1 – 12/2; 3/29 – 3/30; 6/17 – 6/18)
- Identity Theft (10/15, 1/19, 5/20)
- Racial Profiling (9/22, 12/4, 2/6, 8/3)
- Spanish for Law Enforcement
- Use of Force (9/8 – 9/9; 12/7 – 12/8; 3/15 – 3/16; 7/15 – 7/16)



# Course Descriptions



## Course Descriptions:

- **2009 Legislative Update [3181] (4 hours)** – This class is mandatory for all peace officers for the current training unit (9/1/2009 – 8/31/2011). Each participant will receive a copy of the 2009-2011 Legislative Update manual published by the Texas District and County Attorneys Association. The course objectives include, but are not limited to, the changes in the Penal Code, Traffic Code, Family Code as well as some federal case laws which impact Texas law enforcement. Also note the cost of the course will increase from \$50 to \$75 as of 1/1/2010 to encourage everyone to take the class during 2009. This class will be taught in conjunction with the Cameron County District Attorney's Office.
- **Arrest, Search and Seizure [2108] (24 hours)** – Participants will be able to understand their responsibilities as peace officers to make lawful arrests, searches and seizures of persons and property pursuant to lawful arrests and detentions. *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*
- **Asset Forfeiture [3255] (2 hours)** – This course is designed to meet the educational requirement for Asset Forfeiture established by legislative mandate: 77R-SB563. *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*
- **Basic Instructor's Course [1014] (40 hours)** – This Basic Instructor Certification course is designed to provide the basic concepts of instruction and to increase the quality of professional law enforcement training. This course introduces the student to the teaching-learning process, phases of the teaching-learning process, factors affecting learning, preparing a lesson plan, and methods of instruction. The students will be taught how to develop and use instructional media to enhance their presentations. In addition, the fundamental techniques of developing testing and evaluation procedures will be presented. Each trainee must demonstrate the basic knowledge and skills required to effectively instruct a lesson during two teaching exercises which will be evaluated by two instructors.
- **Child Abuse [2105] (32 hours)** – This course is designed to give officers information and techniques for investigating allegations of child abuse, including child sex abuse. *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*
- **Civil Process [3131] (20 hours)** – The Basics of Civil Process course covers the jurisdiction of courts, which apply to civil process, officer responsibilities, criminal subpoenas, and rules of the court which apply to civil citations and subpoenas.
- **Crime Scene Search [2106] (32 hours)** – The Intermediate Crime Scene Search Course is designed to provide additional information on this subject area. It is not meant to override department policy and current laws. *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*
- **Crisis Intervention Training [3841] (16 hours)** - With increasing frequency, law enforcement is being called upon to respond to individuals in serious mental health crises. It is necessary for the law enforcement personnel to understand mental illness, and the tactics and techniques that have been proven to work most effectively when responding to individuals in these situations. These tactics and techniques are

different than those routinely taught to officers to control conflict which, due to the underlying elements behind the behavior, is usually not of a criminal or malicious intent. This information can help keep the officer safe, keep the mental health consumer safe, and greatly reduce liability on the part of the officer and the agency. *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*

- **Cultural Diversity (8 hours)**

- The demographic makeup of our United States society has changed dramatically over the last 25 years, and is continuing to do so. Living and working in our society will require each of us to become increasingly aware of the challenges involved in this cultural change. The changes our society is experiencing go beyond the diversities of race and gender. Within each culture lies a multitude of diverse backgrounds and perspectives. These diversities, or dimensions, are multifaceted and are a direct result of an individual's experiences associated with many factors to include: generational eras, social contacts, families and friendships, and the work environment. To some, diversity is a buzzword for political correctness. To others, it means individual groups or individuals are more important than the whole. For if each part or individual does not operate in relation to a greater mission, or to the whole, the system breaks apart and doesn't work. Thus each is important, but functions as part of a larger, integrated whole to achieve a creative, respectful functionality. Diversity training is a basic component of this quality whole. The purpose of this training is not just to inform, but to increase awareness and understanding; leading to the development of skills that will refine positive communication and enhance productivity in the workforce. Diversity is then defined as the collective strength of experiences, skills, talents, perspectives and cultures that each person brings to the whole. This integrated whole will be the subject of this diversity training.

- **Financial Investigative Techniques (24 hours)**

- This interactive course teaches the principles and techniques of the financial aspect of drug investigations. The course uses case scenarios that will teach the officer how to: conduct financial interviews, identify sources of financial information, utilize indirect methods of proving profitability in illegal enterprises, carry out financial undercover operations, and execute financial search warrants. Officers will be able to determine if money laundering and/or currency violations can assist them in expanding their prosecution base by adding additional targets. Officers will learn to employ techniques parallel to a normal drug investigation to solve open cases and identify future investigations.
- Financial Investigative Techniques is a 3-day course. Instruction is broken down into the following blocks: Financial interviewing and recording, sources of financial information, domestic banking, and bank secrecy act/commercial reporting forms, financial profile, financial links, financial undercover operations, financial search warrants, and methods of laundering money.

- **Firearms Instructor's Course [2222] (40 hours)** - This course is designed to provide the student with the information required to be certified as a Firearms Instructor. Application must be made to the Commission on Law Enforcement for the Firearms Instructor Certificate and there will be a fee charged for the certificate. The student will be required to shoot three courses of fire (revolver/pistol/shotgun) on the first day with a minimum of 90% (2 attempts). If the student is unable to achieve 90% then s/he will not be allowed to participate in the course at this time.

- A comprehensive examination must be given. It will be supplemented by a skills proficiency demonstration. The student will also be required to conduct a live fire range evaluated on a pass/fail basis.
- **Human Trafficking [3720] (16 hours)** – The Human Trafficking in the State of Texas course is to increase the law enforcement communities awareness of the issues of human trafficking through the exposure of informational materials and research to include: victim identification and investigation techniques, rescue and prosecution considerations, referral and service provider availability, practical case studies to assist in building a coordinated community response and to obtain an inter-connectivity of state, federal and global human trafficking concerns.
- **Identity Theft [3277] (4 hours)** – This instructor guide is designed to meet the educational requirements for identity crimes training established by legislative mandate: SB473-(78Reg). *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*
- **Mental Health Peace Officer [4001] (40 hours)** – The purpose of the Mental Health Officer course is to further inform and educate the officer in the area of mental health and issues pertaining to serving as a mental health officer, to include advanced crisis intervention training.
  - The Legislature in 1993 in H.B. 771 (Naishtat & Madla) Attachment of SB 292 (Rosson) established a goal in Section 531.00(g) Health and Safety Code of at least one special officer for mental health assignment in each county and requires mental health mental retardation authorities to assist local law enforcement agencies in their desire to certify such officers. It allows the Commission in Section 415.037, Government Code to certify officers; issue achievement or proficiency certificates and establish rules for training, testing, and certification. It adds the special officer to the list of persons who can transport committed individuals to a mental health facility. It also states that an individual with a mental illness cannot be transported with a prisoner and cannot be physically restrained during transportation except in an emergency. (If restraining is used, the restraint and length of time must be documented and the documentation left at the facility where the individual is transferred).
  - The Legislature in 1993 in S.B. 1067 (Whitmire) included an amendment to the Code of Criminal Procedure Article 16.22. The article requires a magistrate to order the examination of, and transfer to, the nearest appropriate mental health facility, and a defendant committed to the custody of a peace officer, if a peace officer provides evidence that the defendant is a person with mental illness.
  - Senate Bill 1473 amended 1701.253, Occupations Code, by requiring training in *“de-escalation and crisis intervention techniques to facilitate interaction with persons with mental impairments.”* Effective September 1, 2005, this training became a requirement for an intermediate or advanced certificate, and a person licensed as a peace officer for more than two years, or holding an intermediate or higher certification, must complete CIT training prior to September 1, 2009. Beginning January 2005, Basic Crisis Intervention Training was also inserted into the Basic Peace Officer Course so all officers would complete this training at the academy level. The attached course (4001) builds on Chapter 27 Crisis Intervention/Mental Health Code of the Basic Peace Officer Curriculum through review and a continuation of concepts.

- **Prerequisites for class participation:**
  - Completion of Basic Crisis Intervention Training, Course # 3841 or 3842; or
  - Basic Peace Officer Course 1000 after January 2005.
  
- **New Supervisor's Course [3737] (24 hours)** – This course is designed to provide the student with the information to be prepared as a new supervisor. This course meets the requirements for compliance with 1701.352 Occupations Code for new supervisor training.
  
- **Notary Public Training (4 hours)** – This notary training is provided specifically for Texas Notaries. This class is excellent for both current and prospective notaries and will provide you with the most up-to-date information available. In addition to answering your questions, the class will cover:
  - New Legislation from 81th Legislative sessions (Don't Miss it!)
    - Current Notary Laws
    - *Proper Record Keeping*
    - Avoiding Official Misconduct
    - Administering Oaths & Acknowledgments
    - Legal Procedures & Processes of Notarization
    - Liability Protection Practices for Notary & Employer
    - Apply for your Notary Public Commission
  
- **Report Writing [2049] (8 hours)** - Police officers do not enter law enforcement to be writers. Yet an officer's response to each call is summarized on a few sheets of paper - the police report. The overall theme of "Report Writing" is to KEEP IT SIMPLE. The quality of a police report could determine if a person is convicted or acquitted. Furthermore, depending on the ramifications of the case, the officer's report may be the crux of federal and/or state case law. Officers should, therefore, seek continuous report writing techniques to improve their written communication skills throughout their career.
  
- **Racial Profiling [3256] (8 hours)** – This course is designed to meet the educational requirement for racial profiling established by legislative mandate: 77R-SB1074. *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*
  
- **Search Warrant Review (16 hours)** – This course is designed to provide participants with information regarding search warrants and how to properly apply for a warrant, when a warrant is needed, and the return. The instructor for the course is Mr. L. E. "Ted" Wilson, **Attorney at Law**, Mr. Wilson retired from the Harris County District Attorney's Office after serving 34 years as an Assistant District Attorney and he is presently an instructor at the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Regional Counter Drug Training Academy in Meridian, MS, the Mid-western Counter Drug Training Center in Des Moines, IA, and the Northwestern Counter Drug Training Center, Tacoma, WA.
  
- **Spanish [2109] (20 hours)** – This course is designed to develop speaking and listening skills and to promote a deeper understanding of the Hispanic population in the state of Texas. The utmost concern is to provide a foundation in the Spanish language that will not only lead to a

strong repertoire for communicating with Spanish-speaking people, but also to the provision of officer safety. This course is designed for Texas peace officers and correctional officers with limited Spanish speaking skills. *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*

- **Special Investigative Topics [3232] (8 hours)**
  - **Child Abuse** - To provide the officer an understanding of child abuse and those key changes within the different Texas Codes that may impact on their performance in the critical areas of child abuse and neglect.
  - **Family Violence** - To provide the officer an understanding of family violence and those key changes within the different Texas Codes that may impact on their performance in the critical areas of family violence.
  - **Sexual Assault** - To provide the officer an understanding of sexual assault and those key changes within the different Texas Codes that may impact on their performance in the critical areas of sexual assault.
  - **Sex Offenders** - To provide the officer an understanding of sex offender characteristics and those key changes within the different Texas Codes that may impact on their performance in the critical areas concerning sex offenders
  
- **Use of Force [2107] (16 hours)** – this one of the required courses to obtain an Intermediate Peace Officer license: The course addresses officers statutory use of force, including deadly force, and the decision process used in determining the appropriate use of force. *This is one of the intermediate course courses required for the intermediate peace officer license.*

# TCLEOSE Rule - §221.3. Peace Officer Proficiency



## TCLEOSE Rule - §221.3. Peace Officer Proficiency

- (a) To qualify for a **basic peace officer proficiency certificate**, an applicant must meet all proficiency requirements including:
- (1) one year experience as a peace officer; and
  - (2) successful completion of a field training course and a course that includes instruction provided by the employing agency on federal and state statutes that relate to employment issues affecting peace officers, including:
    - (A) civil service;
    - (B) compensation, including overtime compensation, and vacation time;
    - (C) personnel files and other employee records;
    - (D) management-employee relations in law enforcement organizations;
    - (E) work-related injuries;
    - (F) complaints and investigations of employee misconduct; and
    - (G) disciplinary actions and the appeal of disciplinary actions.
- (b) To qualify for an **intermediate peace officer proficiency certificate**, an applicant must meet all proficiency requirements including:
- (1) a basic peace officer certificate;
  - (2) one of the following combinations of training hours or degrees and peace officer experience:
    - (A) 400 training hours and eight years;
    - (B) 800 training hours and six years;
    - (C) 1200 training hours and four years or an associate's degree and four years; or
    - (D) 2400 training hours and two years or a bachelor's degree and two years.
  - (3) if the basic peace officer certificate was issued or qualified for on or after January 1, 1987, the licensee must also complete all of the current intermediate peace officer certification courses, which include:
    - (A) Child Abuse Prevention and Investigation;
    - (B) Crime Scene Investigation;
    - (C) Use of Force;
    - (D) Arrest, Search and Seizure;
    - (E) Spanish for Law Enforcement;
    - (F) Asset Forfeiture;
    - (G) Racial Profiling;
    - (H) Identity Theft; and
    - (I) Crisis Intervention Techniques.
- (c) To qualify for an **advanced peace officer proficiency certificate**, an applicant must meet all proficiency requirements including:
- (1) an intermediate peace officer certificate;
  - (2) one of the following combinations of training hours or degrees and peace officer experience:
    - (A) 800 training hours and 12 years;
    - (B) 1200 training hours and nine years or an associate's degree and six years;
    - (C) 2400 training hours and six years or a bachelor's degree and five years; and

(3) If an Intermediate proficiency certificate was earned before September 1, 2006, complete the commission approved course of instruction in crisis intervention techniques.



- (d) To qualify for a **master peace officer proficiency certificate**, an applicant must meet all proficiency requirements including:
- (1) an advanced peace officer certificate; and
  - (2) one of the following combinations of training hours or degrees and peace officer experience:
    - (A) 1200 training hours and 20 years or an associate's degree and 12 years;
    - (B) 2400 training hours and 15 years or a bachelor's degree and nine years;
    - (C) 3300 training hours and 12 years or a master's degree and seven years, or
    - (D) 4000 training hours and 10 years or a doctoral degree and five years.
- (e) The effective date of this section is March 1, 2008.

# Sites of Interest



## Sites of Interest (just click on gold-colored words and go):

- Attorney General of Texas
  - Border Colonias
  - Crime Victims Services
  - Criminal Justice
- Cameron County
  - County Judge – Mr. Carols H. Cascos, CPA
  - Sheriff's Office
- Department of Homeland Security
- Federal Bureau of Investigations
  - San Antonio Field Office
- Hidalgo County
  - County Judge – Mr. Juan de Dios "J.D". Salinas, III
  - Sheriff's Office
- Immigration and Customs Enforcement
  - Customs and Border Protection
- Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
  - Regional Police Academy and Training Center
- Office of the Governor
  - Criminal Justice Division
  - Homeland Security
- Office of the President of the United States
  - President Barack Obama
  - Vice President Joseph Biden
- Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE)
- Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- Texas Legislature
  - House of Representatives
    - Speaker of the House
  - Senate
    - Lieutenant Governor
- United States Congress
  - House of Representatives
    - Office of the Speaker
    - Office of the Majority Leader
    - Office of the Republican Leader
    - House Majority Whip
    - Republican Whip
    - Democratic Caucus
    - House Democrats
    - House Republican Conference
    - House Republican Policy Committee
  - Senate
    - President of the Senate - **Joseph R. Biden, Jr.**, U.S. Vice President
    - President Pro Tempore - **Robert C. Byrd**, Democrat, West Virginia
    - Majority Leader - **Harry Reid**, Democrat, Nevada
    - Assistant Majority Leader (Democratic Whip) - **Richard Durbin**, Democrat, Illinois

- [Senate](#) (continued)
  - [Minority Leader Mitch McConnell](#), Republican, Kentucky
  - [Assistant Minority Leader \(Republican Whip\) - Jon Kyl](#), Republican, Arizona
- [Willacy County](#)

- [County Judge](#)
- [Sheriff's Office](#)

# Course Registration Forms



Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council  
Regional Police Academy and Training Center

Course Registration Form

Please fill out this registration form and fax it to 956/364-5186. You can also email this form to Ms. Christine Martinez at [cmartinez@lrgvdc.org](mailto:cmartinez@lrgvdc.org) or via U.S. mail at 1902 N. Loop 499, Building B, TSTC Campus, Harlingen, TX 78550. If you have any questions, please call our offices in Harlingen at 956/364-4507.

*Please print all requested information legibly.*

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Name (Last, First, Initial)

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TCLEOSE PID

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Date of Birth

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Agency Name and Contact Phone Number/Email Address

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Course Title and Course Start Date

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Signature

- By your signature above, you understand and agree that you and/or your agency are solely responsible for all fees associated with this course and that the course completion information will not be entered into the TCLEOSE system until full payment is received.
- Furthermore, you understand that you must pass the course as indicated by the instructor. If you fail to pass the course, you will be allotted one opportunity to make-up any required material, including tests, and you will have seven (7) working days from the end of the course to submit/complete all requirements to receive credit for the course.
- Payment is due at the time of registration in the form of cash, cashier's check, money order or purchase order. Failure to notify the Academy within 48 hours, or as indicated by the Academy, of your need to cancel will result in forfeiture of all payments remitted for the course.