

East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

MTU #13

Course Announcement

Witness/ Dignitary Protection Course

April 20-24th, 2026

0830-1630 Hrs

Mattoon Police Range
2849 Lake Rd.
Mattoon, IL.

Submit enrollment to:
Registration form at
www.mtu13.com



OVERVIEW: A five day course to provide trainees with the skills need to conduct close protection procedures from single protection officer to full team operations. Core topics include attack on principal drills; formation and tasks; arrival and departure drills; planning and surveys; motorcade driving and culminates with a full scale FTX conducted in public. The techniques and procedures presented derive from end-user courses for operational teams.



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Constit. Use of L/E Authority
Officer Safety Techniques
Procedural Justice
Use of Force law
De-Escalation Techniques

This course is funded by a grant from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board.

Student Packing List:

Eye & Ear Protection/ Soft Body Armor/ Note Pad & Pen/ Laptop with PowerPoint Program- 5 ea [planning phase for final FTX/ 1 per survey team]

Pistol: Duty Size Pistol Preferred/ Spare Magazine/ Dominant Side Concealment Type Holster – Must Be Capable of Re-Holstering with Single Hand/ Appendix Carry is Not Recommended

Attire: Days 1-3 Range Uniform/ Light Jacket [draw from concealment drills]
 Day 4 Casual/ Polo or Dress Shirt/ Slacks or 511 pants [venue surveys]
 Day 5 Suit or Sport Coat/ Collar Dress Shirt/ No Tie/ Dress Shoes [FTX]

Goals:

Provide comprehensive skills for multiple facets of dignitary protection operations from single PPO to large team.

Trainees perform in all team position of large scale protection team.

Trainees participate in advance planning, venue security surveys and route surveys.

Trainees can plan and execute a single day dignitary protection detail with changing events and itineraries under real-world conditions.

Objectives:

Trainees perform all positions and functions in team exercises to instructor satisfaction on timing, safety and applied skills. Exercises include: solo PPO, linear, three and four officer close protection formations.

Trainees successfully complete a motorcade driving phase as primary driver.

Trainees operating in four person teams complete site surveys and route planning on a real-world venue included as a power point presentation.

Trainees are able to re-organize team composition and tasks to changes in itinerary.

Trainees function as large team during a 6-7 hour FTX in a real-world environment maintaining all core functions and coordination between advance teams, close protection team, perimeter team and PPO[s].

Certified Instructor

Ron Yanor is a distinguished Certified Instructor with an extensive background in law enforcement and military tactics. With a career spanning over four decades, Yanor has honed his expertise across a broad spectrum of specialized areas, earning recognition for his contributions to training and operational excellence.

Certifications: Yanor holds certifications in an array of critical disciplines, including Basic CQB/SWAT, Advanced CQB/SWAT, Dignitary & Witness Protection, Sniper/Observer, and Patrol Rifle Instructor Development, among others. His comprehensive skill set encompasses areas such as Less Lethal Munitions, Building Search Tactics, and Combat Shotgun operations.



ILETSB Certified Courses: He has played a pivotal role in developing and instructing courses accredited by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board (ILETSB). Notable among these are Basic and Advanced CQB/SWAT, Sniper/Observer, and Patrol Rifle Instructor Development, demonstrating his commitment to fostering excellence in law enforcement training.

Published Author: Yanor's expertise extends beyond the training grounds, as evidenced by his contributions as a published author. With over 50 articles featured in both professional and mainstream publications, including the esteemed International Journal of Counter Terrorism Professionals, he shares insights and tactics to advance the field of law enforcement.

Operational Experience: Throughout his career, Yanor has been an integral member of multi-jurisdictional special operations teams, serving in various capacities for 19 years. As a team training and intel officer for nine years, he contributed to operational readiness and mission success. Ron's dedication was His operational reach extends across several states within the U.S. and even to South America, where he provided training and support for specialized missions.

During his tenure at the Sangamon County Sheriff's Department, Ron was honored with both the Medal of Valor for his courageous actions in a perilous situation, where he saved lives, and the Medal of Merit for his exceptional dedication in creating curriculum for his fellow officers that surpassed expectations.

Training and Instruction: Yanor's dedication to excellence in instruction is evident in his tenure as a full-time instructor for law enforcement and military clients at the Adamax Tactical Academy. Over ten years of full-time instruction, supplemented by an additional decade of part-time service, underscore his commitment to sharing knowledge and enhancing operational capabilities.

Collaborations and Partnerships: Yanor has collaborated with leading figures and organizations within the tactical community, including Tactical Energetic Entry Systems, Direct Action Group, Larry Vickers, and Pat McNamara. His contributions as a staff instructor and adjunct have enriched training programs and seminars, further solidifying his reputation as a respected authority in the field.

Ron Yanor's unwavering dedication to excellence, coupled with his vast operational experience and commitment to advancing training methodologies, cements his status as a preeminent figure in the realm of law enforcement and military tactics.