



Monday, April 4, 2022 - 0830-1630

Co-Hosts: DMHAS PD & Middletown PD

MG Maurice Rose Armed Forces Reserve Center, Middletown

Cost: \$129.00 Per Officer - [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

LEADS "LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVE DE-ESCALATION STRATEGIES"

The L.E.A.D.S.[™] Curriculum has been reviewed and approved by the United States Department of Justice! **CT POST Credits: Area 401-2; Area 312-2; Area 411-2 & Area 410-1.**

This is a classroom based combat-confrontation conflict resolution avoidance course. The program instructed within a classroom setting how to recognize aggression and not stimulate aggression. Students learn Active Diffusion Strategies that can avoid escalating or resolve interactions by employing tactical de-escalation methods. Officers are instructed in officer safety tactical options when de-escalation does not work and how to deploy and coordinate successful strategies. Instruction uses lectures and demonstrations to facilitate learning.

INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES:

- Risk management for officer safety
- How complaints are used against officers in litigation
- Learn principles of emotional intelligence for law enforcement
- Identify professional benefits of active diffusion strategies
- Learn methods of effective verbal de-escalation strategies
- Understanding physiological changes during aggression
- Learn to use cognitive limitations for active diffusion
- Learn methods to re-direct the thought process
- Identity different communications styles with appropriate response tactics
- Learn methods of motivational interviewing skills
- Learn methods of distraction to obtain tactical advantages
- Learn communication and physical strategies to de-escalate situations
- Plus more!





About your Trainer

Lt. Kevin F. Dillon (Ret) is a twenty-five year veteran law enforcement officer, retired from the Wethersfield, CT Police Department which is a suburb of the state's capital, Hartford, CT. Lt. Dillon has served as Detective Commander, Patrol Commander and training supervisor. A SWAT team member since 1993, he served for six years as a Team Leader and his last 3 years as Commander of the regional thirty-five member SWAT team. (Capitol Region Emergency Services Team). Lt. Dillon is a National Academy graduate of the F.B.I. session 223, (Fall 2005) and is certified by the Force Science Institute for Analysis of Use of Force Incidents and certified by the Institute of Prevention of In Custody Deaths for Use of force and Excited Delirium.

As an instructor of "SWAT" and police fighting tactics since 1988, Lt. Dillon has developed and teaches his L.O.C.K.U.P. ® (Defensive Tactics) Arrest and Control System. L.O.C.K.U.P. ® is a comprehensive approach, based on gross motor skill concepts, that actually reduces injuries to citizens and police officers. Lt. Dillon educates officers about the instinctual physiological and physical responses of the human nervous system during combat. The system is evidence based, court tested, consistent with, and based upon, the legal guidelines governing police use-of-force, and is appropriate as a system for officers, regardless of physical attributes. The system can be retained and deployed with minimal continuation training. Lt. Dillon also focuses on the tracking and trending all use of force deployments. To effectively manage use of force you need to effectively measure use of force. The L.O.C.K.U.P. System is being instructed and used by officers within the states FL, CT, RI, MA, ND, MN, MO, MI, SD, AK, CA, AZ and AR as well as within the countries of France, England, Canada, Switzerland, Nigeria and Belgium.

Lt. Dillon has created single and multiple day L.O.C.K.U.P. ® (defensive tactics) programs. The intensive nine-day police combat course has been adopted as the "Arrest and Control Instructor" credential for Rhode Island and Connecticut's Police Officers Standards and Training Council's instructor certification. The course is the fundamental qualification for teaching in all basic training Academy programs. The program has also been implemented in numerous other state academies and law enforcement, security and civilian agencies. The techniques have been proven to be effective in the street by officers who have been trained. Lt. Dillon has also developed and customized courses for specialized units such as Amtrak's East Coast Counter-Terrorist and police unit.

Lt. Dillon developed the L.E.A.D.S. – Law Enforcement Active Diffusion Strategies curriculum in 2007 with the program receiving national recognition. It has been presented to officers in the states of FL, CT, RI, MA, ND, MN, MO, MI, SD, CO, AK, CA, AZ, WY and NM. The L.E.A.D.S. curriculum has been reviewed and approved by the United States Department of Justice.

Lt. Dillon has been a practicing martial artist for the past 30 years. He earned a 4th degree Black Belt in Kenpo karate, a 3rd Degree Black Belt in Ju Jitsu, and has studied other systems including Shodokan and Tae Kwon Do. L.O.C.K.U.P. ® is a certified "Police Combat System". Lt. Dillon was also inducted into the United States Martial Arts Hall of Fame as Law Enforcement Instructor of the Year in 2005.

Lt. Dillon, a highly sought after speaker and trainer, has trained and consulted law enforcement use of force issues / programs throughout North America and Europe. He has presented at numerous conferences such as the International Association of Chief of Police (I.A.C.P.), FBI NA Chapters / L.E.E.D.A. and FBI Command College. The Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (C.A.L.E.A.®), Wyoming, New Mexico Sheriffs, St Louis MO and many more. Lt. Dillon is also founder and president of KFD Training & Consultation LLC and www.policecombat.com, his company seeks to provide the highest level of professional police, security training and use of force consultation for the past 16 years.



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