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TITLE: Academy Firearms Qualification

AUTHORITY:

- A. Section 33-1-6, NMSA, 1978
- B. Policy *CD-000100*

REFERENCE:

- A. ACA Standards 1-CTA-3A-16, 1-CTA-3A-17, 1-CTA-3A-23, 1-CTA-3A-24, 1-CTA-3B-08, 1-CTA-3B-09 and 1-CTA-3B-10, *Manual of Standards for Correctional Training Academies,* 1st Edition.
- B. TB MED 502, Occupational Safety and Heath Respiratory Protection Program.
- C. 29 CFR 1910, Section 1025, Lead (1910. 1025), National Guard Range Manual.
- D. ANSI Z87.1 Occupational Eye and Face Protection.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures for the use and control of firearms, chemical agents, and related equipment made available to employees for training and other situations and to established procedures for the proper management and use of the New Mexico Corrections Firing Range with regard to the safety and health of all users.

APPLICABILITY:

This policy applies to all employees of the New Mexico Corrections Academy and instructors' assigned to perform duties involving the use and storage of weapons, chemical agents, and related equipment.

FORMS:

- A. Firearms Range Score Sheet- Shotgun Form (CD-191801.1)
- B. Firearms Range Score Sheet- Handgun Form (CD-191801.2)
- C. Firearms Range Score Sheet-Rifle Form (CD-191802.3)
- D. Firearms Range Score Sheet- Night Fire Form (CD-191801.4)
- E. Weapon Malfunctions Form (CD-191801.5)
- F. Academy Range Safety Regulations Acknowledgment Form (CD-191801.6)

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ATTACHMENTS:

A. Academy Range Safety Regulations Attachment (CD191801.A) (3a Pages)

- B. **Shotgun Range Activity** Attachment (*CD-191801.B*)
- C. **Handgun Range Activity** Attachment (*CD-191801.C*) (4 Pages)
- D. **Rifle Range Activity** Attachment (*CD-191801.D*)

DEFINITIONS:

- A. <u>Ammunition</u>: Any ammunition approved for use at the firing range, and designated by department policy and procedure.
- B. Armory: A secured depository within the Corrections Academy Administration Building.
- C. <u>Chemical Agents</u>: CS chemical munitions, smoke munitions, and chemical aerosol (Oleoresin Capsicum), which may be used to conduct practical exercises in the use of chemical agents training.
- D. <u>Chemical Agent Related Equipment</u>: Gas masks, 37mm/40mm gas grenade launchers, and Pepper ball.
- E. <u>Lethal Equipment</u>: Equipment, which is designed for use as deadly force, firearms.
- F. <u>Non-Lethal Equipment</u>: Equipment which, when used properly by trained individuals, would have a non-deadly effect, chemicals or batons.
- G. <u>Official Range Use</u>: Training conducted for New Mexico Corrections Department purposes or for other law enforcement.
- H. <u>Unofficial Range Use</u>: Personal use by New Mexico Corrections Department personnel or personnel of other law enforcement.
- I. <u>Weapons</u>: Firearms, i.e., handguns, shotguns, and rifles which may be used in conducting firearms training.
- J. <u>Weapon Familiarization:</u> To become familiar with the safety methods, weapons handling, and of weapon use.
- K. Weapon Qualification: To achieve a score of 80% or better on the firing range course of fire.

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L. <u>Weapons Related Equipment</u>: Ammunition, ballistic vests, targets, ear and eye protection, range supplies, cleaning supplies, and related equipment which may be worn or used during firearms training.

POLICY:

It is the policy of the New Mexico Corrections Academy (NMCA) that strict adherence to the procedures set forth in this policy governing the use and control of firearms, chemical agents, and related equipment is enforced.

- A. All firearm instructors shall be certified by a competent authority to conduct such training. [1-CTA-3A-16]
- B. Firearms training courses will cover the use, safety, and care of firearms and the constraints on their use. Courses must include a demonstration of individual student competency. [1-CTA-3A-23]
- C. There shall be detailed direction for the conduct and supervision of all training involving the use of firearms and chemical agents. [1-CTA-3B-10]
- D. All instructors authorized to train others in the use of chemical agents shall have been certified by a competent authority to conduct such training. All instructors shall be trained in the treatment of individuals exposed to a chemical agent. [1-CTA-3A-17]
- E. Chemical agents training courses must cover the use and handling of chemical agents, as well as the treatment of individuals exposed to a chemical agent. Courses must include a demonstration of individual student competency. [1-CTA-3A-24]
- F. The type and quantity of equipment available shall be determined on the basis of Academy training needs with consideration given to the needs of the institutions.
- G. Inmates will never be given access to the armory or areas where employees are assigned or issued weapons.
- H. Students will use only firearms, chemical agents, and related equipment issued and approved by the Academy.
- I. Weapons shall not be removed from NMCD property without prior approval from the Director. Weapons may be used at approved training facilities for approved training courses, but must returned immediately upon completion of training to the armory.

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- J. Armory is protected by a dual-locking device to include a titanium steel padlock, an electronic alarm system and a Folgers Adams locking device that are on a heavy metal door. Armory keys shall be permitted to only the NMCA Director and his designee(s).
- K. Procedures governing the use of firearms shall include the following: [1-CTA-3B-08]
 - Weapons shall be subject to stringent safety regulations and inspections.
 - Employees carrying and/or handling firearms do so only in areas that are inaccessible to inmates.
 - Employees supervising students shall follow specific procedures for ensuring the security of the weapons.
- L. The New Mexico Corrections Academy will provide for the safe unloading and reloading of firearms. [1-CTA-3B-09]

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PROCEDURES:

A. Use of firearms, Chemical Agents, and Related Equipment:

- 1. Use of firearms, chemical agents, and related equipment by students will only be under the direct supervision of an instructor who has been certified by a competent authority to conduct such training. [1-CTA-3A-16]
- 2. Only personnel trained as chemical agent instructors by competent authority recognized by the Corrections Department shall train others in the use of chemical agents. Instructor training must include the treatment of individuals exposed to a chemical agent. [1-CTA-3A-17]
- 3. At least one (1) certified firearms instructor and one (1) safety officer will be present for any range training.
- 4. Cadet/student firearms will not be loaded except at the range.
- 5. Students shall receive appropriate, documented classroom training on firearms, chemical agents, and related equipment prior to entering the range. Classroom training shall include the use, safety, and care of firearms, the constraints on their use, the use and handling of chemical agents, and treatment of individuals exposed to a chemical agent. Both firearm and chemical agent courses shall include demonstrations of individual student competency. [1-CTA-3A-23] [1-CTA-3A-24]
- 6. There shall be detailed direction for the conduct and supervision of all training involving the use of firearms and chemical agents. [1-CTA-3B-10]

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B. The Range Master shall: [1-CTA-3B-08]

- 1. Provide firearms training for Correctional Officer Cadets and other staff as scheduled.
- 2. Verify/confirm use of the PNM outdoor firing range (or other suitable range) prior to departing for the range.
- 3. Provide for the safe loading and unloading of firearms: [1-CTA-3B-09]
 - Loading (Rifle, Handgun and Shotgun): Weapons will only be loaded and unloaded at the firing range or in the loading/clearing tube. The range officer will remove the handgun, shotgun, or rifle from the weapons rack or carrying cases, ensure the weapon is unloaded and in the "safe" condition and fingers are kept off the trigger, and then inspects the firearm for serviceability. The cadet or officer will receive the handgun, shotgun, or rifle with action open, ensuring it is still in the "safe" condition, draw to the low-ready position, place the muzzle of the weapon in the loading/clearing tube or point the muzzle down-range. Upon command the cadet or officer will then close the action, draw a loaded magazine, or shells from pouch and inserts it/them into the weapon. Upon command, the weapon is removed from the loading/clearing tube; the cadet or officer will keep their fingers off of the trigger, ensure the weapon is still on "safe" condition and continue to either holster or sling the weapon. While at the firing range, upon completion of loading the weapon the cadet or officer will holster or sling the weapon upon command.
 - <u>Unloading (Rifle, Handgun):</u> Upon range officer command, the cadet or officer will ensure the weapon is on "safe" condition, place the muzzle of the weapon in the loading/clearing tube or point it down-range. Upon command the cadet or officer will remove the magazine from the magazine well, lock-slide to the rear then visually and manually inspect the cone of the barrel for any ordinance. The cadet or officer will then hand the weapon to the range officer. The range officer will ensure the weapon is still on "safe" condition, inspect the weapon and place in either in a gun case or gun rack.
 - <u>Unloading (Shotgun):</u> Upon range officer command, the cadet or officer will ensure the weapon is on "safe" condition and place the muzzle of the weapon in the loading/clearing tube or point it down-range. Upon command, the cadet or officer will press the double-action release and simultaneously slide the fore-end to the rear, opening the action then visually and manually inspect the weapon for any ordinance. The cadet or officer will then hand the weapon to the range officer. The range officer will ensure the weapon is still on "safe" condition, visually inspect the weapon and then place the weapon in a gun case or gun rack.

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- 4. Prior to entering range, the red range flag must be raised.
- 5. Once all authorized personnel are inside, secure entrance gates to the range.
- 6. Ensure that vehicles are parked in appropriate areas.
- 7. Request a means of communication in event of an emergency.
- 8. Inspect the range for operating condition and post targets.
- 9. Ensure that cadets/students are briefed on the area surrounding the range and the need to control the muzzles of weapons.
- 10. Organize cadets/students into first line and second line of shooters and coaches.
- 11. Ensure qualification the Firearms Range Score Sheets score work sheets are maintained while at the range. All data shall be promptly and accurately recorded using the Firearms Range Score Work Sheet Shotgun Form (CD-191801.1), Firearms Range Score Work Sheets Handgun Form (CD-191801.2) (2 Pages), and/or the Range Score Work Sheet Rifle Form (CD-191801.3).
- 12. Maintain weapons and related equipment in good condition through inspections and proper cleaning procedures.
- 13. Ensure weapon and ammunition accountability is maintained. Record any weapon malfunctions on the Weapon Malfunctions Form (CD-191801.5) and submit it to the senior firearms instructor for transfer to the Armory Ammunition Log. Documentation will be maintained on each firearm, recording, but not limited to, the following items:
 - a. Weapon serial number, manufacturer and caliber.
 - b. Any maintenance actions.
- 14. Ensure personnel accountability is maintained.
- 15. Ensure all instructors and cadets/students on the firing line are wearing ballistic vests, ear, and eye protection. All shooters needing prescription glasses or contact lenses will be required to wear their glasses or contact lenses during range training.
- 16. Ensure the safe and orderly operation of the line of fire.
- 17. Conduct safety checks on weapons.

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18. Ensure that only Academy Instructors administer discipline to cadets during firearms training.

- 19. Ensure that only certified firearms instructors and designated line safety officers are permitted on the firing line with cadets/students while training or qualification is taking place.
- 20. Ensure that certified firearms instructors and designated line safety officers enforce all range safety rules equally in accordance with the **Academy Range Safety Regulations** Attachment (CD-191801.A) and that all cadets/students complete and sign the **Academy Range Safety Regulations Acknowledgment** Form (CD-191801.6)
- 21. Ensure weapons are cleared and placed on "safe" before they are removed from the firing line.
- 22. Ensure personnel police the area for brass and trash and remove it from the range.
- 23. Ensure all equipment is accounted for and targets are removed.
- 24. Reopen range gates.
- 25. Once all authorized personnel and vehicles are outside the range area, secure entrance gates to the range and lower the red range flag.

C. Range Training and Qualification Courses: [1-CTA-3A-23]

Qualification/familiarization range training is required with the rifle, shotgun, and handgun, based on time, weather, resource availability and requirements.

- 1. Cadets will have four (4) attempts to achieve a qualifying score of 80% or better with a handgun, rifle and shotgun. Any additional attempts may be authorized by the Director or Designee on a case-by-case basis. Written firearms exam will be administered and an 80% or better is required to successfully pass and be certified in firearms. Failure to achieve a qualifying score in the written and the practical may result in dismissal from the program.
- 2. Successful completion and certification in firearms requires the proper knowledge and practical demonstration of all weapons. Any unsafe acts involving firearms may result in dismissal from the program.

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3. The Shotgun - Range Activity Attachment (CD-191801.B), Handgun - Range Activity Attachment (CD-191801.C) (4 Pages), Rifle - Range Activity Attachment (CD-191801.D) and other appropriate forms shall be utilized to direct and document all activities listed in 1 through 3 above. The Training Academy utilizes all or segments of three courses of fire (DPS, NMCD and NRA). Range activity and courses of fire may be modified to meet unavoidable schedule, weather changes or training needs. Changes must have prior approval by the Director or his/her designee.

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NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT **Range Work Sheet** Shotgun

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NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT Range Work Sheets Handgun

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Name	Weapon Serial #	Familiarization 50 Rounds	1st Attempt	2 nd Attempt	3 rd Attempt	4 th Attempt	Qualification	Notes
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NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT Range Work Sheet Rifle

Class #		

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NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT Night Fire

Handgun □ Shots	gun □ Rif	le □	Class # _					
Dates:		Familiarizati	on 🗆		Qual	ification [Both
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NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT Weapon Malfunctions

Weapon Malfunctions:	
Occurrences:	

NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT Academy Range Safety Regulations

- A. The range master runs the range. The range master and safety officers will enforce range discipline.
- B. When reporting to the range, firearms will be secured in a holster or transportation device case, sights up.
- C. All firearms must be unloaded prior to entering the range.
- D. Weapons will remain holstered behind the firing line at all times. Dry firing is prohibited behind the firing line.
- E. Commands to load, unload, and fire will be given by the range master.
- F. A whistle burst means cease firing.
- G. Only double action firing is allowed, unless instructed otherwise. When single action shooting is conducted, the finger will remain outside the trigger guard while the hammer is worked back. (Revolver)
- H. When drawing or holstering the firearm, your finger must be on the side plate or slide area of your firearm.
- I. All shooters will remain on the firing line at all times. Permission must be granted to advance or leave the line.
- J. No turning around on the firing line. Raise your hand to get the instructor's attention. Keep yourself pointed in the direction of your target.
- K. Un-holstered firearms will be pointed down range at all times. Firearms will not be un-holstered unless instructed to do so. Control the muzzle of the firearm, i.e., rifle, shotgun, handgun, at all times.
- L. During firing, if a weak or unusual report is heard or if there is an ammunition or weapon malfunction, the student will keep the weapon pointed at the target and raise the weak hand to get the instructor's attention (misfire, hang-fire, squib load).
- M. Ballistic Vests, ear, and eye protection will be worn at all times when on the firing line and as an observer.
- N. Smoking, tobacco chewing, and talking is not permitted on the firing line. Smoking is not permitted near ammunition.
- O. No smoking, drinks or food are allowed on the firing line.
- P. Safety / rule violations will result in removal from the firing line and / or range.
- Q. Horseplay, practical jokes, or other such action is prohibited.

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- R. Any shooter that has consumed alcoholic beverages, drugs or any medication that may impair the shooter's ability will be removed from the range.
- S. If during qualification you have more than one (1) extra bullet hole on your target your score and the score of the person who shot at your target will be disqualified. For the individual who has the extra bullet holes, this will not count as one of his or her four (4) chances to qualify. The person who shot at the target will have used one of their four (4) turns to qualify.

WHO CAN CALL A CEASE FIRE? ANYONE!

CAUTION: Lead contaminants can be hazardous to both females and males; they can also be harmful to the fetus of a pregnant female. Women who are pregnant must make a conscious decision as whether to proceed with their training.

While at the firing range, ensure that your hands do not have contact with any area of your face.

Everyone needs to wash their hands with soap and water after range activity and before eating and handling food.

Range Activity and Firearms Qualification sheet shall be utilized to direct and document all activities. Range activity and courses of fire may be modified to meet unavoidable schedule, weather changes or training needs.

Successful completion and certification in firearms requires a qualification score of 80% or better in the use of all weapons, and the written exam. It also requires the proper knowledge and practical demonstration of the proper use of all weapons. Any unsafe acts involving firearms many result in dismissal from the program.

RANGE COMMANDS ----- VERBAL

- "Fire" at target (verbal command) "Ready --- Fire": (Only when the word "FIRE" has been A. given will you place your finger on the trigger).
- В. "Cease Fire" – stop firing immediately. (Or when you hear a whistle burst).
- C. Firing Line – Where shooting is taking place.
- "Load" load the number of rounds as instructed. CAUTION: Always keep barrel down in D. the low ready position.
- E. "Unload" – remove all rounds from firearms.

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- F. "Is the Line Ready?" If you are ready to fire and completely understand the commands and instructions that have been given, then stand-by. If you are not ready, raise your weak hand keeping the barrel pointed down range or have your coach raise his / her hand.
- G. "The Line is Not Ready" all shooters stand easy, problem on the line.
- H. "The Line is Clear" all firearms are holstered.
- I. Hot Line firearms are loaded or shooters are firing.
- J. If at any time you have a question, raise your weak hand keeping the barrel down range, or have your coach raise their hand.
- K. "Ready Position" muzzle down range, 45 degree angle in front of shooter.
- L. "Outdoor Face" Shooters face away from targets
- M. "Indoor Face" Shooters face targets.

RANGE POLICY

- A. Firearms are pointed down range at all times.
- B. When holstered, all firearms will be snapped in.
- C. After firing, shooter will return to a ready position, muzzle down, finger outside the trigger guard.
- D. After firing, shooter will look both to his / her left and right to break up tunnel vision.
- E. All empty brass will fall to the ground.
- F. Any rounds that are dropped on the ground will remain there. **NO ONE** will bend over to pick up anything off of the ground. This includes: ear protection, shooting glasses, etc.

RANGE PROTOCOL

- A. The range master has ultimate authority on the range.
- B. The decision of the range master is final.
- C. The range master will appoint line safety officer(s).
- D. Line safety officer(s) will:
 - Provide instructional assistance to shooters.
 - Correct shooting errors.
 - Perform other range tasks as necessary to promote safety and enforce rules, procedures or regulations.

Academy Range Safety Regulations Acknowledgment

I have read and understand all range rules:

Name:		
Class Number:	Last Four SSN:	
Signature:	Date:	

NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT Shotgun - Range Activity

- A. Cadet/Student will demonstrate: (All demonstrated with 12 gauge dummy rounds)
 - Proper load and unload from magazine (not working rounds through the chamber)
 - Safe condition and inspection check
 - Clear condition
 - Loader safe condition
 - Armed safe condition
 - Armed condition
 - Cruiser loading
 - Combat loading
- B. Cadet/Student will dry fire the qualification course with dummy rounds for warm-up. (This is for the purpose of checking proper stance, body position, and the proper alignment of muzzle to target.)
- C. Cadet/Student will fire course for qualification. (Student will be given the opportunity to re-fire course if necessary.)

Qualification Course – 12 gauge shotgun

15 Yard Line	5 rounds 00 Buck ammo standing position, student with shotgun in shoulder at the ready position – on command fires one round from the point shoulder position	2 seconds per round – repeat 5 times. (5 th round is combat loaded)
15 Yard Line	5 rounds 00 buck ammo student must combat load the fifth round point shoulder position	15 seconds for all 5 rounds
25 Yard Line	5 rounds rifle / slug ammo student must combat load the fifth round point shoulder position	20 seconds for all 5 rounds
50 Yard Line	5 rounds rifle / slug ammo point shoulder position 2 rounds standing 3 rounds kneeling	No time limit

Scoring:	Maximum score possible is 90 / 100 points. 80 / 90 points for 00 buck. 1 point for each hit on the silhouette. 10 points for the rifle slug. 1 point for each hit within ghost ring or hit zone 4.
	Shooter must score at least six hits within the ghost ring/Zone 4 with rifled slug in order to qualify.
Condition:	90% / 80% minimum qualification score on 00 buck. Minimum qualification score on slug: 6 of the 10 slugs must be in the scoring area. NM-DOC-Q / NM-DPS4 target or any Academy approved target 12ga. – 00 buck 8/9 pellet ammunition 12ga. – Rifle slug ammunition

NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT Shotgun Night Fire-Range Activity

Range is "HOT" shooter will ensure weapon a weapon inspection is done by the shooter and instructor.

- Instructor will emphasize muzzle and trigger finger discipline.
- Instructor will check light sources are appropriate for the course.
- Shooter will not be told to reload, except when firing the reload drill.
- Instructor ratio for night fire must be adhered too ensures safety due to limited visibility by both shooters and instructors.

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YARD LINE	COURSE DESCRIPTION	ROUNDS	TIME
7	SHOOTER LOW READY, CRUISER LOADS THREE	4	12
YARD LINE	ROUNDS ACTION CLOSED, ON COMMAND FIRE TWO		SECONDS
	ROUNDS, CRUISER LOADS ONE ROUND AND FIRES 2		
	ROUNDS.		
	REPEAT (1x)		
15	SHOOTER LOW READY CRUISER LOADS TWO	4	15
YARD LINE	ROUNDS ACTION CLOSED, ON COMMAND FIRE TWO		SECONDS
	ROUNDS, ENGAGES SAFETY		
	GOES KNEELING COMBAT LOADS ONE ROUND		
	CRUISER LOADS ONE ROUND AND FIRES TWO		
	ROUNDS		
20	SHOOTER LOW READY, CRUISER LOADS TWO	2	7
YARD LINE	ROUNDS ACTION CLOSED, ON COMMAND FIRES ONE		SECONDS
	ROUND GOES KNEELING, FIRES ONE ROUND		

This is a 14 round course of fire utilizing Low light conditions and or use of vehicle lights.

CONDITIONS:

• One car (with lights on) will be placed at approximately the thirty (30) yard line for every seven students. (This is to simulate an ordinary night time street light atmosphere.)

SCORING:

- NM-DOC-Q / NM DPS 4 target or any approved Academy target
- One point for each Hit inside the silhouette
- 80% minimum qualification for Basic Cadet Course.

Handgun - Range Activity

A. Cadet/Student will demonstrate with an empty handgun. (Familiarization Only):

Academy Requirement:

- Proper inspection check
- Proper draw and re-holster
- Proper grip and stance
- Proper trigger squeeze while dry firing
- Will practice proper sight alignment and sight picture
- Proper reloading techniques

B. Cadet/Student will fire 50 rounds of the following:

Familiarization

(6) rounds	strong hand (Single action two hands – familiarization only)
(6) rounds	weak hand (Single action two hands – familiarization only)

Shooter will not put handgun (revolver only) in single action mode until on target. (This is done to develop proper sight alignment, to build confidence in the shooter with the handgun, and to develop proper grip and accustom shooter to recoil.)

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(12) rounds	(2) rounds at a time x 6 on command, low ready position finger outside the trigger guard. 7 yard line, 1 second
(12) rounds	(2) rounds at a time x 6 on command from the holster, 7 yard line, 2 seconds
(6) rounds	(3) rounds ("failure drill"), 2 center mass, 1 head shot x 2, from the low ready, 3 yard line, 4 seconds
(8) rounds	(Hip shooting) (2) rounds at a time x 3 on command from holster. Student will hold collar or grab belt behind back at the chest with the weak hand to insure weak hand is out of the line of fire, 3 yard line, 2 seconds

Scoring:

- NM-DOC-Q / NM DPS2 target or any approved Academy target
- Each Hit inside the inner ghost ring / Zone 1 = 2 points
- Each Hit on the outer ghost ring / Zone 2 = 1 point
- Hits outside of the ghost rings / Zones but still on silhouette scores zero (0) points

Two handed grip will be used during all shooting exercises.

<u>Handgun – Range Activity</u>

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HANDGUN QUALIFICATION COURSE

(50 Rounds)

1 yard line- Shooter draws to a weapon retention or disengagement position and fires two

rounds.

2 rounds x 2 seconds (2x) (This drill is in response to a gun grab attempt.)

5 yard line- Standing position, shooter draws and fires two rounds, reloads, and fires two

more rounds, may be speed or tactical.

4 rounds x 10 seconds (1x) (This drill develops reloading skills while

maintaining visual contact with the target.)

5 yard line- Standing position, low ready, fire two rounds.

2 rounds x 2 seconds (3x) (This drill develops rapid multiple hits on a target.)

7 yard line- Standing position, shooter draws and fires a failure drill. Two shots center mass

and one to the head.

3 rounds x 5 seconds (2x)

7 yard line- Standing position, low ready fire two rounds.

2 rounds x 2 seconds (3x) (*This drill develops rapid multiple hits on a target.*)

7 yard line- From a weak hand low ready position, shooter fires two rounds weak hand only.

2 rounds x 3 seconds (2x) (This drill develops weapon proficiency with the

weak hand in the event the strong hand is disabled.)

15 yard line- Shooter draws, goes into a kneeling position and fires two rounds.

2 rounds x 5 seconds (2x) (This drill develops rapid multiple hits on a target at

increased distance.)

15 yard line- Standing position, shooter draws and fires two rounds.

2 rounds x 4 seconds (2x) (This drill develops weapon proficiency at increased

distance while maintaining minimal exposure.)

Barricade Course

7 yard line- From a standing position behind a barricade fire two rounds. Kneel behind the

barricade, reload and fire two more rounds. This may be tactical or speed load.

4 rounds x 10 seconds (2x)

(This drill develops reloading skills while maintaining visual contact behind a barricade.)

25 yard line- Shooter draws from the holster goes into a kneeling position behind barricade

and fires two rounds.

2 rounds x 5 seconds (2x)

(This drill develops weapon proficiency from the low barricade at increased distance.)

NIGHT FIRE - 50 ROUNDS - HANDGUN

5 yard line	Low ready position (failure drill)	Low ready position (failure drill)	
(6 rounds)	2 rounds center mass		
	1 round to head 3 seconds (2x)		
5 yard line	Low ready positions 2 rounds		
(6 rounds)	2 seconds (3x)		

Flashlight used for the next three drills

7 yard line	From holstered position draw and
(6 rounds)	fire 2 rounds x 4 seconds (3x)
7 yard line	Low ready position
(6 rounds)	2 rounds x 3 seconds (3x)
7 yard line	Low ready position
(6 rounds)	2 rounds center mass
	1 round to head (optional) x 5 seconds (2x)

Headlights/overheads used for next three drills

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10 yard line	From holstered position draw and fire 2 rounds,			
(8 rounds)	reload fire 2 more x 10 seconds (2x)			
10 yard line	Low ready position fire 2,			
(8 rounds)	reload 2 and fire x 8 seconds (2x)			
10 yard line	Low ready fire 2 x 3 seconds (1x)			
(2 rounds)	•			
10 yard line	From holstered position draw and			
(2 rounds)	fire 2 rounds x 4 seconds (1x)			

CONDITIONS:

- One car (with lights on) will be placed at approximately the thirty (30) yard line for every seven students. (*This is to simulate an ordinary night time street light atmosphere.*)
- Firing position standing is a 2 hand hold
- 2x = 2 times
- NM-DOC-Q / NMDPS2 target or any Academy approved target

SCORING:

- NM-DOC-Q / NM DPS2 target or any approved Academy target
- Each Hit inside the inner ghost ring / Zone 1 = 2 points
- Each Hit on the outer ghost ring / Zone 2 = 1 point
- Hits outside of the ghost rings / Zones but still on silhouette scores zero (0) points
- 80% minimum qualification for Basic Cadet Course.
- 90% minimum for Firearms Instructor Course.

NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT Rifle – Range Activity

A. Familiarization Exercise:

- Have students get comfortable in all shooting positions with rifle and dry fire prior to giving live rounds.
- Brief on proper safety procedures with the rifle
- Pistol Grip Stock Weld / Cheek Weld
- Check Breath Control
- Trigger Squeeze / Follow Thru
- Body Position
- Sight alignment and sight picture
- NM-DOC-Q / NMDPS2 Target or any Academy approved target

B. 1st shooting position will be standing position

C. Targets will be checked periodically.

D. SCORING:

- NM-DOC-Q / NMDPS2 target or any approved Academy target
- 5 pts inside the inner ghost ring / Zone 1
- 4 pts inside the outer ghost ring / Zone 2
- 3 pts on silhouette / Zone 4

RIFLE FAMILIARIZATION / QUALIFICATION COURSE

(40 rounds)

25 yard line	Standing position	2 mags	8 seconds
		w / 2 rounds	w / mag change
50 yard line	Kneeling position	2 mags	18 seconds
		w / 3 rounds	w / mag change
50 yard line	Prone position	2 mags	18 seconds
		w / 3 rounds	w / mag change
75 yard line	Kneeling position	2 mags	18 seconds
		w / 3 rounds	w / mag change
75 yard line	Prone position	2 mags	18 seconds
		w / 3 rounds	w / mag change
100 yard line	Kneeling position	2 mags	25 seconds
		w / 3 rounds	w / mag change
100 yard line	Prone position	2 mags.	25 seconds
		w / 3 rounds	w / mag change