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2025/2026 Course Description	DEC	JAN	FEB
FEDERAL/STATE/DEPARTMENTAL TRAINING: (24 hrs.) This training will cover all Federal, State, and office-mandated training courses for Peace Officers unless otherwise indicated. Day 1: (0800-1200)- Day Quals/Use of Force (TCOLE-2095) (4hrs.)	15-17	5-7, 21-23	4-6, 11-13

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INTERMEDIATE SUICIDE DETECTION AND PREVENTION IN A JAIL SETTING:			
(TCOLE 3501) (8 hrs.) This course will help the officer take a proactive approach to identifying and preventing suicidal attempts in a jail setting. This course is designed to train the officer in early warning signs and symptoms an inmate may have. This training will make the officer aware of potential liabilities that may occur when suicides are successful in a facility. The officer will additionally become aware of the state and national statistics on suicides in lockups. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Jailer Certification. Time 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. E. Estrada Limited to 15 students	17	23	N/A
DEFENSIVE DRIVER'S COURSE: (TCOLE 3931) (8 hrs.) This course is designed to familiarize the student with skills that will improve their chances of avoiding future collisions that could result in serious injury and/or death. The students will learn techniques for driving defensively. Per Policy, all personnel authorized by EPCSO to operate a county vehicle must attend a Defensive Driving Course, provided by the Academy, every three (3) years during their employment with the Office. Prerequisite- Licensed Drivers Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. J. Sapien Limited to 20 students	N/A	23	20
D.W.I. DETECTION AND STANARDIZED FIELD SOBRIETY TESTING (SFST) PRACTITIONER UPDATE: (TCOLE 2178) (8hrs.) This refresher course is designed to improve the administration and overall consistency of the Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST) Battery. The course will cover recognizing and interpreting DWI Evidence, administering, and interpreting the SFST, describing DWI Evidence clearly and convincingly, recent case law and research studies, and provides an overview of drug impairment driving. A minimum of 5 students or the course is subject to be canceled. Prerequisite- For Peace Officers. Must be a certified SFST Practitioner. Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. J. Sapien Limited to 20 students	N/A	N/A	27

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INTERMEDIATE USE OF FORCE FOR PEACE OFFICERS: (TCOLE 2107) (16 hrs.) The student will obtain a basic overview of the terminology and concepts regarding use of force. The student will also obtain information concerning research indicating factors and situations where use of force may be likely. The student will be able to demonstrate on a written objective type examination an understanding of this area to a specified percentage. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Peace Officer Certification. Time 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy/ Dep. J. Sapien Limited to 24 students	11-12	N/A	N/A
HELICOPTER RESPONSE COURSE: (NO TCOLE CREDIT) (2hrs.) In high-risk emergencies, time and safety are critical. Patrol officers are often the first on scene and play a vital role in preparing for the arrival of air medical or law-enforcement helicopters. This course provides officers with the essential knowledge and practical skills to quickly establish, secure, and communicate a safe landing zone (LZ) during critical incidents. Participants will learn how to identify suitable landing areas, evaluate hazards, coordinate with dispatch and flight crews, and maintain scene safety throughout the operation. The training emphasizes rapid assessment, effective communication, and teamwork to ensure efficient and safe helicopter operations in the field. This course is ideal for patrol personnel seeking to enhance their readiness for serious emergencies such as major crashes, medical crises, rescues, and tactical deployments. Upon completion, officers will be able to confidently set up and manage a landing zone that meets safety standards for both responders and flight crews. Training Time: 0800-1000 Coordinator: Dep. J. Sapien Limited to 24 students	4, 12, 18	N/A	N/A
RADAR/LIDAR CERTIFICATION: (TCOLE 2054) (16 hrs.) The purpose of this course is to educate the law enforcement officer on speeding problems, speed enforcement, and different methods of speed measurement. The law enforcement officer will then have a working knowledge on the history of Radar and Lidar. At the conclusion of the course, the officer will be able to Set Up, Check, and Test both Radar and Lidar equipment. The officer will also be able to testify in a court proceeding on a case based on Radar and Lidar. A minimum of 10 students or the course is subject to be canceled. Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. J. Sapien Limited to 12 students	N/A	N/A	19-20

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SRT SCHOOL:			
(TCOLE 2040, 2086, 6014) (40hrs.)			
To provide certification on the following subjects:			
One Man Cell Extraction			
Modified Cell Extraction			
Tactical Entries	NT/A	NT/A	22.27
Defensive Tactics	N/A	N/A	23-27
Squad Enhancement			
Training Time: 0800-1700			
Coordinator/Instructor: RM J. Martinez			
*Strictly for those jailers who have passed SRT oral boards and PT			
assessment.			
DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES FOR DETETION OFFICERS:			
(TCOLE 1849) (8 hrs.)			
The purpose of this course is to improve the response of Peace Officers to			
incidents that involve people in crisis who are behaving erratically. The emphasis			
on public safety is at the heart of this training. This course is a TCOLE			
requirement for Intermediate Peace Officer Certification AND it is a TCOLE	4	21	N/A
training cycle requirement if the officer does not achieve Intermediate			
Certification before the end of the training cycle.			
Time: 0800-1700			
Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. E. Estrada			
Limited to 20 students			
BASIC ARMED DETENTION OFFICER COURSE:			
(TCOLE 3599) (40 hrs.)			
This course will familiarize the student with the basic safety, use, disassembly,			
maintenance & assembly of the Department approved and assigned handgun. This			
course will also qualify the student to carry the approved handgun while on duty	N T/ A	26.20	N T/ A
and in specific required assignment.	N/A	26-30	N/A
Prerequisite- Must currently hold a Jailer's License.			
Time: 0800-1700			
Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Martinez			
Limited to 20 students			
LESS THAN LETHAL FOR PATROL:			
(TCOLE 3345) (8 hrs.)			
To certify and familiarize officers with Specialty Impact Munitions and identify the different functions			
of each munition. Understand different levels of use of force and use of force continuum along with			
legal limitations of law enforcement/corrections at each level. Discuss documented court case decisions and how they have affected law enforcements/correction's use of less lethal. Discuss and understand			
less lethal delivery systems, munitions and their minimum safe distances. Understand vulnerable and			
vital areas of the body and advantages as well as disadvantages of each. Demonstrate functioning	N/A	2, 9	6
knowledge of delivery systems and munitions by properly loading and deploying each system as well		_,,,	
as hand deployed munitions.			
Officers must be dressed appropriately for the range. Must bring Eye and ear protection. Outside agencies must bring their munitions and weapons.			
Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy			
Time: 0800-1700			
Limited to 12 students			
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TASER CERTIFICATION FOR DETENTION OFFICERS: (TCOLE 3344) (8hrs.) To provide the theory and practical training necessary to operate TASER 7 (Electronic Control Device) reasonably, safely, and effectively. Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy/Dep. J. Sapien Limited to 12 Students	N/A	N/A	3, 10
TASER RECERT: (TCOLE 3344) (4hrs.) To provide the theory and practical training necessary to operate TASER 7 (Electronic Control Device) reasonably, safely, and effectively. Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy/Dep. J. Sapien Limited to 12 Students Opened to all Armed Personnel	N/A	N/A	4, 11
AGENCY QUALIFICATIONS – NO TCOLE CREDIT Mandatory for Peace Officers and Armed Detention Officers of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office who carry a handgun in their duty assignment. Armed Officers assigned shotguns and/or rifles will qualify with all weapons when attending. Requirement: Must bring ALL qualifying weapons with. (IE shotgun, etc.) Time: 0800 Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Martinez	10	7	9
TACTICAL APPLICATIONS FOR ARMED DETENTION OFFICERS-(TCOLE 2055) (8hrs.) This Course is a tactical shooting course with an emphasis on inmate transport. MUST BE ANARMED DETENTION OFFICER WITH A TCOLE JAILER FIREARMS CERTIFICATE. Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Martinez Limited to 10 students	30	N/A	3
SHOTGUN COURSE FOR ARMED DETENTION OFFICERS- (TCOLE 2055) (8hrs.) This Course Will Certify Armed Detention Officers in the Use of the Shotgun Platform. The class will cover both lethal/less-lethal applications. MUST BE AN ARMED DETENTION OFFICER WITH A TCOLE JAILER FIREARMS CERTIFICATE. Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Martinez / H. Vega Limited to 10 students	29	N/A	2

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RED DOT OPTIC TRANSITION COURSE: (TCOLE 2529) (8 hrs.) This course is required for the use of a Red Dot Optic on duty, secondary or off duty handgun per Office policy. This training will cover the fundamentals of employing the Red Dot Optic equipped pistol. Requirement: Must bring Red Dot equipped handgun and duty belt or holster. Outside Agencies must bring ammunition Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Martinez Limited to 15 Students	N/A	8	N/A
DRY FIRE PERFORMANCE COURSE: (TCOLE 2055) (4 hrs.) This course was developed to improve skills and become more consistent while performing basic firearm manipulations. This course will aid the student in understanding the importance of dry fire in relation to live fire shooting. This course will highlight how a student must dry fire most effectively to become more efficient. The goal is to become a faster and more accurate shooter. Required Gear: Duty Handgun, Duty Belt, 3 Magazines Time: 0800-1200 Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Martinez Limited to 10 students Course is open to S.O Armed Personnel only	8	N/A	N/A
OPEN RANGE - NO TCOLE CREDIT The firearms range will be open to all EPCSO Deputies and Armed Detention Officers who are interested in practicing their shooting skills. Requirement: Must provide your own ammunition. Time: 0800-1100 and 1300-1600 Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Martinez	N/A	23	N/A
RED DOT OPTIC TRANSITION COURSE FOR ARMED DO's- (TCOLE 2529) (16 hrs.) This course is required for the use of a Red Dot Optic and weapon mounted light on duty per Sheriff's Office policy. This training will cover the fundamentals of employing the Red Dot Optic equipped pistol. Requirement: Must bring Red Dot equipped handgun and duty belt Time: 0800-1700 Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Martinez Limited to 15 Students	N/A	N/A	5-6

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MARKSMANSHIP EVENT PREP COURSE (TCOLE 2055) (2hrs.) This course will prepare the student for the Marksmanship Shooting Event by allowing students to participate in practical shooting scenarios/drills. Requirement: All Duty Firearms, Duty belt Time: Coordinate a timeslot with RM Martinez Coordinator: Ofc. J. Martinez/Ofc. H. Vega This course is ONLY for Certified Armed Sheriff's Office Personnel.	18	N/A	N/A
MARKSMANSHIP SHOOTING EVENT (TCOLE 2055) (16hrs.) This event is meant to test the marksmanship skills of students, by allowing them to participate in marksmanship scenarios. Requirement: All Duty Firearms, Duty belt Time: Coordinate a timeslot with RM Martinez Coordinator: Ofc. J. Martinez/Ofc. H. Vega This course is ONLY for Certified Armed Sheriff's Office Personnel.	N/A	N/A	12-13
E-TRAINING			
CHILD SAFETY CHECK ALERT LIST: (1 hr.) (TCOLE 4068) This course covers the Child Safety Check Alert List (CSCAL) law to include the purpose of the list; steps to perform upon encountering people listed on CSCAL; and proper reporting when encountering a child or person listed on CSCAL. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Peace Officer Certification. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. J. Sapien	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month
COMBINED RACIAL PROFILING AND ASSET FORFEITURE: (6 hrs.) (TCOLE 3257) The student will be able to identify the legal aspects and the legislative requirements placed upon peace officers and law enforcement agencies regarding racial profiling and demonstrate understanding of the forfeiture of seized property. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Peace Officer Certification. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month

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CULTURAL DIVERSITY: (8 hrs.) (TCOLE 3939) Upon completion of this course the student will be able to identify the various dimensions of diversity.			
TCOLE mandated course for Peace Officers and Jailers. This course requires only ONE TIME during the four-year cycle to maintain a Basic Peace Officer & Detention Officer License. Those holding a Peace Officer Intermediate or higher are exempt from this provision.	Must register by Nov 30	Must register by Dec 31	Must register by Jan 31
This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Peace Officer certification AND it is a TCOLE training cycle requirement if the officer does not achieve Intermediate Certification before the end of the training cycle.	Open the entire month	Open the entire month	Open the entire month
All Jailers must take this course during TCOLE Training Cycle, unless exempted by Certification level in another license. Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Duran			
HUMAN TRAFFICKING: (4 hrs.) (TCOLE 3270) This course builds knowledge base of human trafficking by providing concept of human trafficking from a domestic and global perspective; investigative considerations; legal issues; importance/type of victim service providers; and collaborative approach to human trafficking cases. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Basic Peace Officer Certification, if not taken during BPOC. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. J. Sapien	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month
IDENTITY THEFT CRIMES: (4 hrs.) (TCOLE 3277) Upon completion of this course students will be able to identify the types of identity crimes according to the Federal Trade Commission; recognize how identity crimes occur; recognize the legal aspects of identity crimes; request information needed for an identity crime offense report; recognize techniques for educating victims and the public on identity crime. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Peace Officer Certification. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month
INTERMEDIATE INMATE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES: (16 hrs.) (TCOLE 3502) This course will provide the officer with the history of the Constitution and its amendments in order to provide a better understanding of the rights and privileges inmates possess. The course will go into the differences between a right and a privilege. The course additionally provides the officer with case law and established precedence. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Jailer Certification. Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. H. Vega	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month

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LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FLYING ARMED (FAA): (4hrs.) (TCOLE 3303) The TSA Law Enforcement Officer Flying Armed Course is required under Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 1544.219 (1)(iv) for all Law Enforcement Officers (LEOs), who have demonstrated operational need to fly armed onboard US commercial aircraft. This course provides the students with the rules, regulations, and requirements placed on armed LEOs by the CFR. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: (4 hrs.) (TCOLE 3189) This course will cover recent judicial decisions that are important for law enforcement officers, administrators, and policy makers. This course is a general summary of selected court cases and changes to Texas' criminal law as brought by the 89th session of the Texas Legislature. This course is a TCOLE requirement for current training unit (09/01/25 – 08/31/27) for all Peace Officers. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month
MISSING & EXPLOITED CHILDREN COURSE (8 hrs.) (TCOLE 3275) This course provides a basic overview of trends and background information relevant to a first responder or investigator responding to a missing or exploited child report. This training is not intended to replace detailed training of any individual sub-topic. Continue to consult specialized training for additional policies, best practices and legal definitions. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Peace Officer Certification. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. J. Sapien	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month
OFFICER STRESS IN CORRECTIONS: (4 hrs.) (TCOLE 2190) Whether it's acknowledged to be factual or not, stress is a silent killer among correctional officers and detention officers. This viewpoint is often challenged by correctional officers who resist the suggestion it can happen to them as they are stronger than the average person working inside a large jail or prison thus immune to such an invasion of the body, spirit, or mind. This class will provide students with the awareness of stress and stress-related issues within the Correctional setting. Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. H. Vega	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month
PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT (PREA): (4 hrs.) (TCOLE 3507) The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 is a federal law established to address the elimination and prevention of sexual assault and rape in correctional systems. PREA applies to all federal, state, and local prisons, jails, police lock-ups, private facilities, and community settings such as residential facilities. Coordinator/Instructor: Ofc. J. Duran	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month

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PURSUIT POLICY: (2hrs.) (TCOLE 6019) This course will cover EPCSO Policy 9.03 - it is the policy of this Office to only engage in vehicular pursuits in response to the most serious incidents, when the risk of allowing the subject of the pursuit to remain at large is greater than the risk of the pursuit itself. Therefore, the Office, by this policy, regulates the authority to engage in vehicular pursuits and the manner in which vehicular pursuits are undertaken. Per Policy, all Peace Officers will receive Pursuit Driving and the use of agency authorized roadblock and forcible stopping techniques training every year as part of in-service training. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. W. Lamoy	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month
SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE TOPICS: (8 hrs.) (TCOLE 3232) The goal of this course is to provide the student with a better understanding of Texas State laws concerning Child Abuse and Child Protective Services; to provide the student with the information for dealing with sexual assault interviews involving both children and adults; to have the student learn what is mandated for registered sex offenders and to learn about the different types of sex offenders and sex offenses. This course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate Peace Officer Certification AND it is a TCOLE training cycle requirement if the officer does not achieve Intermediate Certification before the end of the training cycle. Coordinator/Instructor: Dep. J. Sapien	Must register by Nov 30 Open the entire month	Must register by Dec 31 Open the entire month	Must register by Jan 31 Open the entire month

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Physical Fitness Requirement

Some courses offered by the El Paso County Sheriff's Office Region VIII Training Academy will require a degree of physical fitness.

Minimum Level- This level will consist of walking, stepping, and very light cardiovascular exercise.

Medium Level- This level will consist of jogging; minimal levels of calisthenics (i.e. push-ups, sit-ups, side straddle hop); and/or beginning levels of hands-on contact (i.e. PPCT and O.C.).

Maximum Level- This level will consist of running; sprinting; advanced calisthenics; and/or advanced levels of hands-on contact (i.e. mobile field force, physical fitness exams).

Medium and maximum- These levels will require a blood pressure screening and students who do not pass will not be allowed to participate without a doctor's release on file.