



## **Training Schedule for the Heart of Texas Council of Governments Law Enforcement Training Program**

Anyone registering for a HOTCOG class must notify Lana Gudgel, IN WRITING, **seven days** prior to the first date of the course if they are unable to attend; anyone that fails to attend and fails to notify Lana Gudgel in writing seven days before the first day of the class will not be permitted to register for any other courses without a letter from their Administration verifying their registration and assuring they will be in attendance. [Lana.gudgel@hot.cog.tx.us](mailto:Lana.gudgel@hot.cog.tx.us)

### **De-escalation Techniques: Limiting Use of Force w/Public #1849**

**May 23, 2025**

**(class is limited to 25) Full Registration is closed**

Location: ESEC, 7601 Steinbeck Bend Road, Waco TX. <http://goo.gl/maps/vjKPc>

8:00 –5:00, 8 hrs, TCOLE Credits

Instructor: Keith Vaughan

*This course must be completed by an officer holding only a basic proficiency certificate at least once every 48 months as a requirement for an intermediate and advanced proficiency certificate.*

### **De-escalation Techniques: Limiting Use of Force w/Public #1849**

**June 17, 2025**

(class is limited to 25)

Location: Bosque County Sheriff's Office 266 FM 2840, Meridian, TX 766655

8:00 –5:00, 8 hrs, TCOLE Credits

Instructor: Lana Gudgel

*This course must be completed by an officer holding only a basic proficiency certificate at least once every 48 months as a requirement for an intermediate and advanced proficiency certificate.*

### **Basic Instructor Course #1014**

**June 9-13, 2025**

(class is limited to 10) **Full Registration is Closed**

Location: ESEC Building, 7601 Steinbeck Bend Road, Waco, TX <http://goo.gl/maps/vjKPc>

8:00 – 5:00, 40 hrs, TCOLE Credits

Instructor: Lana Gudgel / Michael Blohm

*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 for developing testing and evaluation procedures will be presented. During two teaching exercises, each trainee must demonstrate the basic knowledge and skills required to effectively instruct a lesson.*

*Prerequisites to qualify for Certification: substantial experience in teaching or in the special field or subject area to be taught, including two years' experience as a peace officer, telecommunicator, or jailer; or a bachelor's Degree and two years of teaching experience; or a graduate degree.*

**Autism and Law Enforcement**

**July 17, 2025**

**(class is limited to 25)**

**Location: ESEC, 7601 Steinbeck Bend Road, Waco, TX <http://goo.gl/maps/vjKPc>**

**8:00 – 1:00 pm, 4 hrs. TCOLE Credits**

**Instructor: Tres Jackson, Anne Jackson**

*Teaching law enforcement officers about Autism with emphasis on the SPECTRUM is essential for ensuring citizen and police officer safety as well as appropriate and compassionate responses. This training helps officers recognize potential signs and symptoms of Autism Spectrum Disorder with or without formal diagnosis in hopes of teaching them to respond effectively, de-escalate situations safely, gather relevant evidence and make accurate charging decisions.*

**SAFVIC Investigator Course #3264**

**July 28-30, 2025**

**(Class is limited to 35)**

**Location ESEC 7601 Steinbeck Bend RD, Waco, TX <http://goo.gl/maps/vjKPc>  
Room 229**

**8:00 – 5:00, 24 hrs. TCOLE Credits**

**Instructor: John Kelly**

*Student Pre-Requisites: Licensed Peace Officer*

*Sexual Assault & Family Violence, History & Statistics, Dynamics, Laws, Investigative Techniques, Effective Courtroom Performance, Drug-Facilitated Sexual Assault, Stalking, Community Response, Victim Resources. Can be taken in lieu of Special Investigative Topics (TCOLE #3232) and Trauma-Informed Approach to Sexual Assault Investigations Course (TCOLE #470 & #4070) **scan the QR code below to register for this class.***



**Crisis Intervention Training #1850**

**July 28 – Aug 1, 2025**

**(class is limited to 20)**

**Location: ESEC, 7601 Steinbeck Bend Rd, Waco, TX <http://goo.gl/maps/vjKPc>**

**Room: 235**

**8:00 – 5:00, 40 hrs., TCOLE Credits**

**Instructor: Amanda Leka**

*Target Population: Peace Officers working towards their Intermediate Proficiency Certificate on or after April 1, 2018, and within two years of licensing for those licensed on or after April 1, 2018.*

**Intermediate Crime Scene #2106**

**August 11-15, 2025**

**(class is limited to 15) Full Registration is Closed**

Room 235

Location: ESEC 7601 Steinbeck Bend Road, Waco, TX <http://goo.gl/maps/vjKPc>  
Room

8:00 – 5:00, 40 hrs., TCOLE Credits

**Instructor: Keith Vaughan**

*Student Pre-Requisites: None*

*Certification Requirements: Individuals must meet the applicable certification standards found in Commission Rule 221.1 and 221.3.*

**Homemade Explosives: Awareness, Recognition, and Response**

**August 18, 2025**

**Location:** ESEC 7601 Steinbeck Bend Road, Waco, TX <http://goo.gl/maps/vjKPc>  
Lecture Hall

8:00-5:00, 8 hrs, TCOLE Credits available

Instructors: New Mexico Tech: TBA

Target Population: **All first responders/emergency personnel**

*The Homemade Explosives: Awareness, Recognition, and Response course is designed to provide emergency first responders with the skills to recognize and respond to incidents involving Homemade Explosives (HME). Emergency first responders are presented with information necessary to recognize HME precursors, HME manufacturing indicators, and HME exposure indicators, and determine pre-detonation and post-detonation response strategies.*

**Intermediate Child Abuse Prevention #2105**

**September 8-10, 2025**

**(class is limited to 25)**

Location: ESEC, 7601 Steinbeck Bend Rd <http://goo.gl/maps/vjKPc>

8:00 - 5:00, 24 hrs, TCOLE Credits

Instructor: Brandon Ferguson / Jason Stone

Target Population: Texas Peace Officers desiring Intermediate certification.

Student Prerequisites: None

**Register through [www.HOTCOG.org](http://www.HOTCOG.org); no charge for any of these classes (unless specifically stated) if you work within the HOTCOG Region.**

***Beginning January 1, 2025, the cost will be \$75 for all class attendees outside the HOTCOG Region. HOTCOG will not bill your agency. Payment must be received before the class begins by cash, check, or money order. **No credit cards** and no refunds. For courses that have a limit, seating preference will be given to in-region agency registrants.***

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Click the link below to register.

<https://www.hotcog.org/regional-services/law-enforcement-training-classes>

