



# Handgun Instructor CJSTC Course #801

This CJSTC course teaches the techniques to become a Certified Handgun Instructor and instruct the Florida Criminal Justice Handguns course. This is a high liability course and is required for instructors desiring to teach in the Basic Law Enforcement Recruit Academy.

**It is highly recommended that you practice shooting the CJSTC Law Enforcement Qualification course before taking the CMS Handguns Instructor course. Firearms pre-qualification is completed on the first day. Handguns pre-qualification proficiency of 85% must be achieved and agencies/students that fail to qualify the first day are not eligible for a refund.**

**Students are required to pass a written test with at least a score of 85%. There is a mandatory 100% attendance policy.**

**Must provide 1000 rounds of ammunition.**



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## Eligibility Required

- Have a general FDLE Instructor certification or be eligible for and apply for the general instructor certification at the same time as the High-Liability Instructor certification
- Three years' experience as a certified criminal justice officer or 3 years' experience in high liability topic of instruction

## Equipment Required

- Service weapon with three magazines or speed loaders
- Duty holster and Duty Belt
- **Ammunition will NOT be provided**
- Tactical Dress (no red shirts/hats)

## August 4-8, 2025

Time M-T: **8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

Time W-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Fees: **TRUST FUNDED Region IX**

Registration: (727) 341-4611

Coordinator: Paul Roach

Agency/ Self Registration

<https://spcollege.augusoft.net>

Then [Sign in](#) [Hotel information](#)

SEPSI Authorization form  
Required

## Training Calendar <https://pstc.spcollege.edu/>

*\*Priority for registration into this class is given to agencies within Pinellas County.  
Remaining seats will be open to all agencies 14 days from the start date.*

## Lead Instructor

Tim Pupke has an extensive background in High Liability law enforcement training. After retiring from Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Tim has become a Lead Adjunct Instructor for both instructor and academy classes with St. Petersburg College.

*Casual clothing is recommended. Shorts, tank tops and/or offensive T-shirts are unacceptable attire.  
Law enforcement personnel not in uniform that are carrying exposed firearms must prominently display agency ID and/or badge at all times while on college property.*