



**LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**DESIGNATED**  
**MARKSMAN**

**OPERATOR**

**&**

**TRAIN-THE-TRAINER**

**REGISTRATION PACKET**



**LEDM**  
**21 – 24 May 2024**

**LEDM T3**  
**28 – 30 May 2024**

**Hosted by**  
**Johnson City Police Dept.**  
**Johnson City, Tennessee**



## LE DESIGNATED MARKSMAN COURSE PACKET



GSA Training Provider DUNS 80032788 / CAGE 7HU82



**Course registration deadline 7 April 2024.**

*High Ground Training Group will provide a Law Enforcement Designated Marksman Course at the Johnson City Police Department, Johnson City, TN, 21-24 May 2024. This will be followed by the LEDM Train-the-Trainer Course on 28 – 30 May at the same location. A limited number of positions will be available for the course and will be provided to Law Enforcement Agencies or military units on a first come, first served basis. Advance course registration is required with cutoff for registration 45 days prior to the course. All information is required for application to be considered. Course positions will not be held without registration and payment arrangements.*

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT DESIGNATED MARKSMAN



The SPS/HGTG LEDM course provides a thorough overview of the skills needed to develop the LEDM Candidate and provides a solid foundation for these skills through the basic elements of the tactical marksman: Marksmanship and Tactics. The LEDM is a skillfully trained and well-equipped officer capable of rapid response and engagement of dangerous suspects in dangerous and rapidly developing tactical environment. This is not a sniper course, but a course designed for the rapid responder working in the patrol environment. The LEDM is not a replacement for the SWAT Sniper, but rather serves as a tactical skill bridge to the skills of SWAT while capitalizing on the rapid and nimble response capability of the patrol officer. For the small or mid-size agency with no SWAT capability, this program can enhance the agency's ability to respond to threats and interdict dangerous suspects actions, in turn, saving lives.

4 days, 32 hours

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT DESIGNATED MARKSMAN TRAIN-THE-TRAINER

The SPS/HGTG LEDM T3 course provides the logistical and instructional background material for the qualified & certified LEDM to instruct the SPS/HGTG LEDM course curricula at the agency level. This 3-day course will require the candidate to successfully complete the LEDM qualification course, pass a written examination and model LEDM training blocks for classroom and/or range exercises. The candidate will be required to author and present an original course of fire for the Special Purpose Rifle Platform appropriate for LEDM training as a final presentation. Candidates successfully completing the course of instruction will be provided individual curriculum license to present the SPS/HGTG LEDM course at their agency (non-commercial).

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| <b>LEDM Course Tuition Cost:</b>        | <b>\$575.00</b> |
| <b>LEDM T3 Course Tuition Cost:</b>     | <b>\$450.00</b> |
| <b>Dual Enrollment in Both Courses:</b> | <b>\$900.00</b> |

*Completed registration and payment must be made to Sniper Pro Shop no later than 30 days prior to the course. Application page and appropriate affidavit page should be completed and sent to Sniper Pro Shop:*

Email to:  
Or mail to:

[sniperproshop@bellsouth.net](mailto:sniperproshop@bellsouth.net)  
Sniper Pro Shop  
1048 Ridgecrest Drive  
Kingston Springs, TN 37082

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### BACKGROUND:

*The concept of the Law Enforcement Designated Marksman (LEDM) was born out of the need for a tactical rapid response asset to deal with the growing number of contemporary threats. With the increased threat of attacks on officers as well as growing terrorism and active shooter threats, the need for a bridge between the standard equipped patrol officer and the SWAT Team has been recognized. This need led us to the development of the LEDM program.*

### CONCEPT:

*The LEDM is not a Sniper. His/her equipment and training do not reach the level of the special operations trained sniper. Instead, the LEDM, combines the rapid response capability of the patrol officer with advanced training and improved weapon systems to provide an immediate response to threats of active shooters, terrorism or law enforcement ambush. The LEDM can provide observation capability and, if necessary, accurate tactical fire support in rapidly evolving tactical situations by deploying with an advanced weapon system capable of highly accurate fire. The LEDM, equipped with an enhanced AR based weapon system equipped with a variable power optic that will surpass the accuracy and range of the standard patrol rifle will be capable of rapidly and accurately engaging threats in the field. The implementation of the LEDM program is designed to enhance the overall safety of the officers as well as the public that we serve.*

*PROOF OF CONCEPT - ACTUAL REPORT – “2018 - Subject impersonated officer, broke through doorway of victim's home causing injury to at least one victim. Fled on foot into woods. I was used in marksman capacity for on scene cover for officers on foot. While in an elevated, concealed position with cover of a large tree, I was able to track movement of the offender through the woods and direct officers on the ground to his location, where I provided lethal cover from a distance until he was taken into custody.”*

### THE TRAINING PROGRAM:

*The SPS/HGTG Law Enforcement Designated Marksman training course is a 4-day, 32-hour training course that involves classroom and live-fire training for to up to 14 LE personnel\*. The course includes:*

- *Weapons and Optics Systems*
- *Setting up & Maintaining the Designated Marksman Rifle*
- *Ballistics*
- *Positional Shooting*
- *Barricade and Hasty Shooting*
- *Rapid Engagement*
- *Operational Concepts*
- *Barrier Shooting*
- *Firing from and Around Vehicles*
- *Counter Ambush Tactics*
- *Close Quarter Engagements*
- *Low-Light Shooting*

### PREREQUISITES:

*Restricted to Full-time POST certified officers attending with the approval of their agency command.*

*Candidate should be physically fit and capable of 100 - 200-yard runs while carrying rifle and wearing uniform with body armor and gun belt.*

*Patrol rifle qualified with above average marksmanship skills.*

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*The LEDM Train-the-Trainer course is a 3-day, 24-hour training course that provides instructional skills training and practice to the candidate who has successfully passed the SPS/HGTG LEDM course. It will provide guidelines for instruction for the LEDM course along with:*

- *Marksmanship principles and coaching*
- *Weapon and optic diagnosis and troubleshooting*
- *Print and Digital materials to support the instruction of the LEDM program*
- *Curriculum license from SPS that will enable the LEDM T3 candidate to provide the LEDM user course curricula to officers at his agency – this is a non-commercial certification and does not allow the candidate to provide “for hire” courses to outside agencies.*

### **PREREQUISITES:**

- *Previously completed a Law Enforcement Firearms Instructor Course (preferred) or LE Instructor Development*
- *Previously successfully completed the SPS/HGTG LEDM course.*
- *Restricted to Full-time POST certified officers attending with the approval of their agency command.*
- *Candidate should be physically fit and capable of 100 - 200-yard runs while carrying rifle and wearing uniform with body armor and gun belt.*
- *Patrol rifle qualified with better than average marksmanship skills.*



### **WEAPON SYSTEMS:**

*LEDM candidate will need an enhanced weapon system (Special Purpose Rifle) capable of less than 3 Minute-of-Angle (MOA) accuracy from a rested position at 100 yards with 2 MOA accuracy preferred. Our recommendation for this weapon system follows:*

- *AR-15 platform weapon (M-4 configuration);*
- *A-3 or A-4 Flattop upper with floated handguard – 1913, Keymod or M-Lok style;*
- *14.5 – 16” barrel length recommended (12.5” barrel with 1/7 twist considered to be minimum barrel length for acceptable accuracy, 18” barrel maximum length for rapid deployment);*
- *1/7” to 1/8” twist rate to stabilize heavier bullets;*
- *Standard Mil-Spec lower receiver;*
- *5.5-pound maximum trigger pull – recommend National Match trigger or an aftermarket trigger designed for tactical work. Trigger should be no lighter than 3.5 pounds;*
- *Variable Magnified Optical Sight – recommend 1 – 4x or 1 – 6x with rapid target acquisition reticle;*
- *Backup Iron Sights or backup optical sight – Off-set 45° sights or mini-reflex sight;*
- *Folding Bipod;*
- *Weapon mounted illuminator.*

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### EQUIPMENT LIST for LEDM:

- LEDM SPR Rifle System
- 3 rifle magazines – recommend 20 round mags for use with weapon on bipod
- 2-point rifle sling – recommend quick adjust such as V-Tac, Blueforce Gear, etc.
- 500 rounds of training ammunition for rifle
- 100 rounds of duty ammunition for rifle (for qualification)
- Duty Belt
- Handgun
- 3 handgun magazines
- 150 rounds handgun training ammunition
- Duty Body Armor
- Plate Carrier and Helmet (if issued or used) – Not mandatory
- Eye and Ear Protection
- Cover (ball cap)
- Weapon cleaning gear
- Hydration
- Creature comforts – sunscreen, insect repellent, etc.
- Note-taking material

### EQUIPMENT LIST for LEDM Train-the-Trainer:

- LEDM SPR Rifle System
- 3 rifle magazines – recommend 20 round mags for use with weapon on bipod
- 2-point rifle sling – recommend quick adjust such as V-Tac, Blueforce Gear, etc.
- 300 rounds of training ammunition for rifle
- 100 rounds of duty ammunition for rifle (for qualification)
- Duty Belt
- Handgun
- 3 handgun magazines
- 150 rounds handgun training ammunition
- Duty Body Armor
- Plate Carrier and Helmet (if issued or used) – Not mandatory
- Eye and Ear Protection
- Cover (ball cap)
- Weapon cleaning gear
- Hydration
- Creature comforts – sunscreen, insect repellent, etc.
- Note-taking material
- Laptop with Microsoft Office and USB Port

## LE DESIGNATED MARKSMAN COURSE PACKET

**LE DESIGNATED MARKSMAN Class # LEDM-2024-1 21-24 May 2024 Tuition \$575.00**

**LEDM Train-the-Trainer Class # T3-1 28 – 30 May 2024 Tuition \$450.00**

**Enroll in Both Classes for \$900.00**

**Johnson City, Tennessee**

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| STUDENT NAME:                                   |   |              |  |
| AGENCY NAME:                                    |   |              |  |
| AGENCY STREET ADDRESS                           |   |              |  |
| CITY, STATE, ZIP                                |   |              |  |
| AGENCY CONTACT                                  |   |              |  |
| AGENCY TELEPHONE                                |   |              |  |
| AGENCY CONTACT EMAIL:                           |   |              |  |
| STUDENT DIRECT TELEPHONE*                       |   |              |  |
| STUDENT DIRECT EMAIL *                          |   |              |  |
| RIFLE OPTIC TO BE USED                          |   | T-Shirt Size |  |
| CHECK COURSES REQUESTED                         | <input type="checkbox"/> LEDM <input type="checkbox"/> LEDM T3  |              |  |
| PAYMENT METHOD<br>(EX. Credit Card, P.O., etc.) |   |              |  |
| AGENCY BILLING ADDRESS                          |   |              |  |
| CREDIT CARD PAYMENT PORTAL ADDRESS:             | <b>LEDM:</b> <a href="https://sniperproshop.net/product/law-enforcement-designated-marksman-21-24-may-2024/">https://sniperproshop.net/product/law-enforcement-designated-marksman-21-24-may-2024/</a><br><b>LEDM T3 Only:</b> <a href="https://sniperproshop.net/product/law-enforcement-designated-marksman-train-the-trainer-28-30-may-johnson-city-tn/">https://sniperproshop.net/product/law-enforcement-designated-marksman-train-the-trainer-28-30-may-johnson-city-tn/</a><br><b>LEDM/T3 Package:</b> <a href="https://sniperproshop.net/product/ledm-ledm-train-the-trainer-package-21-24-may-28-30-may-johnson-city-tn/">https://sniperproshop.net/product/ledm-ledm-train-the-trainer-package-21-24-may-28-30-may-johnson-city-tn/</a> |              |  |

**\*Student contact information is required. Course instructors must be able to communicate directly with students prior to the course.**

**Cancellation Policy: Cancellations after 30 days prior to the course will be refunded 50% of the course tuition. Cancellations after 2 weeks prior to the course will result in forfeiture of paid tuition.**



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### LAW ENFORCEMENT APPLICANTS

Please answer the following questions:

Are you a Full Time Law Enforcement Officer? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Full Time or Reserve Military service member? \_\_\_\_\_

Upon completion of the course will you be assigned as a Designated Marksman? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you attending the course on your own time? \_\_\_\_\_

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| Who will be responsible for tuition payment? | Applicant | Agency |
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#### Applicant Affidavit

\_\_\_\_\_ (student name) is a full-time law enforcement officer with the  
\_\_\_\_\_ (agency name). He/she is applying for a position in the  
\_\_\_\_\_ course with the knowledge and approval of the agency.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of supervisor or command staff

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rank and Position

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Telephone #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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### Scenes from past LE Designated Marksman Courses



*Shooter engages targets from barricade*



*LEDM engages target from inside his patrol vehicle*



*LEDM engages targets from vehicle cover position*



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### Course Cadre

#### Sniper Pro Shop/High Ground Training Group

**Senior Instructor:** *Denny Elliott's career in law enforcement spanned over 29 years. He served in agencies in Kentucky and Tennessee and as a Federal Law Enforcement Officer. His work in LE Special Operations began early in his career and he has served as a task force counter-drug field operator, SWAT operator, Sniper, Sniper Section Leader, Team Leader and Commander. He served as chief LEO in two agencies and has been involved in training since the early 1990's. Denny spent the last five years of his LE career assigned as the training commander for a Tennessee Sheriff's Office with over 300 sworn personnel where he oversaw a full-time training staff managing all agency training. He retired as a Lieutenant. He is a member of the NTOA, IALEFI, ILEETA, TLETOA and American Sniper Association. He is a certified instructor in Firearms, Tactical Rifle, Force on Force, Defensive Tactics, Baton, Edged Weapons, LE Ethics and Below 100. He developed the Level I, II, III and IV Police Sniper Courses, Law Enforcement Firearms Instructor Course, Law Enforcement Designated Marksman Course and various other tactical training courses of instruction which are owned by Sniper Pro Shop and presented by the High Ground Training Group. He is the CEO of SPS and Master Instructor with HGTG.*



*The High Ground Training Group is an invitation only association of snipers and professional law enforcement trainers who are alumni of the SPS training program. They represent Local and Federal agencies and bring scores of years of experience in military and law enforcement operations to the training program. This innovative and dynamic group of trainers provide the nucleus of this training program.*

#### **For additional course information contact:**

**Denny Elliott**  
**Sniper Pro Shop HQ (615) 952-9560**  
**or email at [sniperproshop@bellsouth.net](mailto:sniperproshop@bellsouth.net)**  
**[www.sniperproshop.net](http://www.sniperproshop.net)**  
**[www.highgroundtraining.com](http://www.highgroundtraining.com)**

### **IN 2024, WE ARE CELEBRATING 23 YEARS OF TRAINING PROFESSIONALS...**

*The SPS Course Curriculum has been taught in Tennessee and beyond since 2002. SPS curriculum courses have been attended by law enforcement officers from throughout the U.S. and Canada as well as members of the U.S. Military.*

#### **Alumni of our courses include:**

- Hamilton County Sheriff's Office SWAT (TN)
- Nashville Intl. Airport Police Special Operations
- Juneau, AK PD SWAT
- Unified Police Department of Greater Salt Lake SWAT (UT)
- Salt Lake City Police SWAT (UT)
- Utah Department of Corrections CIRT
- Utah Highway Patrol SRT
- LMD ERT Royal Canadian Mounted Police
- Larimer Co. Regional SWAT, CO
- Montgomery, AL P.D.
- Sullivan County Sheriff's Office SWAT (TN)
- And the list goes on.....

Listing of alumni agencies in no way indicates endorsement of SPS/HGTG training by the agencies. You may contact SPS for reference agencies.

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### Why choose SPS/HGTG for Training?

Sniper Pro Shop brings over 23 years of experience in developing & presenting sniper, tactical and firearms instructor level training programs for law enforcement special operations. SPS/HGTG courses are constantly monitored and updated to ensure that we are providing contemporary training and best practices for Law Enforcement Special Operations. SPS is a GSA schedule vendor for firearms and homeland security training and has provided training for federal law enforcement and the U.S. Military.

High Ground Training Group staff are experienced professionals with thousands of hours of law enforcement and military training and operational experience. The members of HGTG are uniquely qualified to provide a contemporary approach to training and developing the SWAT Sniper. Their experience comes from law enforcement tactical operations from agencies serving Urban, Rural, City, County, State Task Force, and Federal Law Enforcement service, as well as Military and Corrections.

SPS/HGTG stands ready to provide service to students and client agencies after the training course for Training Planning, Policy, Post-Shooting Support and Litigation Support.



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