



***H.O.T.***  
***HANDGUN***  
***OPTICS TRAINER***



Hosted by  
**TN Homeland Security District**

**26 – 27 February 2026**



## HANDGUN OPTICS TRAINER



GSA Training Provider DUNS 80032788 / CAGE 7HU82



**Registration Deadline for this course is 16 January 2026**

This course is being provided to agencies of Homeland Security District 7.

Completed registration and tuition payment should be sent to:

Email to:

[sniperproshop@bellsouth.net](mailto:sniperproshop@bellsouth.net)

Or mail to:

Sniper Pro Shop  
1048 Ridgecrest Drive  
Kingston Springs, TN 37082

### Course Description

This is a 2-day, 20-hour course of instruction to develop instructional skills for the professional law enforcement firearms instructor to present Handgun Optics Familiarization and Transition programs for his agency. The course will include:

- Handgun Optic Theory
- Optic Zero Techniques
- Threat Recognition
- Neural Pathway Theory Training
- Rapid Target Acquisition and Engagement
- Weapon System Ergonomics
- Shooter Biomechanics
- Transitional Course of Instruction
- Shooter Coaching

Participants will be required to safely present courses of fire, demonstrate ability to manage a live-fire training event, develop training courses of fire and score a minimum of 90% on graded courses of fire.

### Prerequisites:

- Full-Time Law Enforcement Officer assigned as a firearms instructor by his/her agency and
- Previously certified as a LE Firearms Instructor.

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### Materials Needed:

1. Duty Handgun equipped with handgun optic and mounted illuminator;
2. 3 magazines (minimum);
3. Duty Belt (may be range or battle belt);
4. Handheld duty flashlight;
5. Body Armor;
6. Ball cap or other appropriate headgear;
7. Eye protection;
8. Amplified Ear Protection – This is required for improved communications in the instructional setting;
9. 600 Rounds Handgun Ammunition (750 preferred);
10. Appropriate Weapon Maintenance Gear;
11. Appropriate Cold and Wet Weather Gear;
12. Hydration, snacks and personal kit.

## COURSE ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

*This course is a developmental course for LE Firearms Instructors to build skill and expertise in the use and instruction of handgun optics.*

### LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

- ⊕ *Participant must be a full-time, certified law enforcement or corrections officer.*
- ⊕ *Participant assigned or pending assignment as a Firearm Instructor*
- ⊕ *Participant must have completed a recognized LE Firearms Instructor course.*
- ⊕ *Participant must provide a signed affidavit of assignment and approval to attend and pending relative assignment. Blank affidavit is included in this packet.*

*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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*Handgun Optics Trainer*

*Class # HOT 2026-1*

*26 - 27 February 2026*

**TN Homeland Security District 7 / Montgomery Co. Sheriff's Office**

STUDENT NAME:	
AGENCY NAME:	
AGENCY STREET ADDRESS	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	
AGENCY CONTACT	
AGENCY TELEPHONE	
AGENCY CONTACT EMAIL:	
STUDENT DIRECT TELEPHONE*	
STUDENT DIRECT EMAIL *	
PAYMENT METHOD (EX. Credit Card, P.O., etc.)	<i>Please list P.O. # for departmental billing: Course provided by Tennessee Homeland Security District 7</i>
AGENCY BILLING ADDRESS	<i>Course provided by Tennessee Homeland Security District 7</i>
CREDIT CARD PAYMENT PORTAL ADDRESS:	<i>Course provided by Tennessee Homeland Security District 7</i>

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### LAW ENFORCEMENT & MILITARY APPLICANTS

Please answer the following questions:

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

Are you currently assigned as a Firearms Instructor? \_\_\_\_\_

Upon completion of the course will you be assigned as a Firearms Instructor? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Who will be responsible for tuition payment? \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Agency **N/A**

#### 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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### Course Cadre

Denny Elliott's law enforcement career spanned over 29 years. During that time, he served in a variety of agencies and assignments in Tennessee, Kentucky and as a member of a federal agency. This service includes:

- Chief/Senior Sworn Officer, 5+ years
- Firearms Instructor, 25+ years
- Special Operations, 20+ years
- SWAT and Sniper Instructor, 17 years
- Full-time General Departmental Instructor (TN), 5.5 years

He has been recognized by Tennessee POST as a primary instructor on POST approved courses of instruction since 2003 including:

- Sniper Instruction Level I Sniper, Level II Advanced Sniper, Level III Sniper Leadership, Training and Utilization and Level IV Sniper Mixed Terrain Target Interdiction
- Law Enforcement Firearms Instructor, LE Rifle Instructor & LE Rangemaster
- Law Enforcement Designated Marksman



He holds instructor certifications in firearms, baton, defensive tactics, edged weapons, law enforcement ethics and Below 100 among others. He has been a presenter for state and national level conferences for the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Officers Association, American Society for Law Enforcement Trainers and International Association of Law Enforcement Firearms Instructors.

He retired from full-time law enforcement in 2018 and continues his training career as the CEO and Master Instructor of Sniper Pro Shop and High Ground Training Group, a U.S. Government Services Administration (GSA) approved vendor for homeland security and combat skills training for federal agencies and U.S. Military. SPS/HGTG has provided training for LE and Military personnel since 2008.

*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, mobile (615) 372-9393**  
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**[www.sniperproshop.net](http://www.sniperproshop.net)**

