

CLEST Minimum Standards For Patrol Rifle and Select Fire Weapons For Law Enforcement Agencies

Paragraph I. Law Enforcement personnel assigned to utilize a Patrol Rifle are required to qualify with the Rifle a minimum of one time annually. A Patrol Rifle is defined as any center fire rifle primarily designed for Military/Law Enforcement use and has a detachable box magazine (i.e. M-16, AR15, M4, HK MP5, UMP, Ruger Mini 14, Remington 7600P, and or variants.) Sporting rifles, converted sporting rifles, or bolt-action rifles are not considered patrol rifles. "Select Fire Weapon" is defined as any firearm that is capable of shooting more than one round with a single depression of the trigger. Law Enforcement Agencies may choose to shoot the "Model Course of Fire" as outlined in paragraph III or construct their own course of fire ensuring all required minimum tasks/standards are met as outlined in paragraph II. Agencies that elect to construct their own qualification course must submit their course of fire to CLEST for approval 30 days prior to course instruction.

Paragraph II. Required minimum tasks/standards for the Arkansas Patrol Rifle Qualification Course:

1. Qualification courses must be taught by a CLEST certified firearms instructor.
2. All agencies must shoot a minimum of 20 rounds during their course of fire.
3. All Agencies must incorporate a minimum of one (1) mandatory reload drill during the course of fire. Five seconds may be added to particular battery of fire when such battery includes a reload drill.
4. All agencies must incorporate firing from standing, kneeling, and prone positions.
5. All shooters must score a minimum of 80% to pass their course of fire or meet higher standard established by their agency.
6. All agencies must utilize targets that do not exceed 93.5 square inches of scoring area which is equal to a 8.5" x 11" piece of notebook paper (the B-27 target contains 86.5 square inches of scoring area within the circumference of the 9 ring and therefore meets this requirement as limited to the 9 and 10 ring area.) Instructors may utilize multiple targeting areas (such as incorporating head shots) as long as no single scoring area exceeds 93.5 square inches and each target area is scored separately.
7. Agencies must construct a course of fire that includes the following:
 - a. 3-7 yard line Minimum of 5 rounds 7 seconds
 - b. 10-15 yard line Minimum of 5 rounds 10 seconds
 - c. 25 yard line Minimum of 5 rounds 25 seconds
 - d. 50 yard line Minimum of 5 rounds 30 seconds
8. Agencies that utilize select fire weapons are required to shoot an additional 20 rounds in a select fire mode, **by firing** 2-3 rounds per single depression of the trigger. All rounds will be fired between the 7 and 10 yard lines at the Agencies discretion. Select fire rounds will be scored separately. Minimum passing score is 80%.
9. Form F-18 will be completed and submitted to CLEST upon completion of a certified course of instruction. Agencies will maintain firearms qualification records for employees that may be audited by CLEST at any time. Records

will be maintained for the duration of an employee's employment plus 5 years.

Paragraph III. Arkansas Model Patrol Rifle Qualification Course

(Meets all minimum requirements for non-select fire weapons. Officers utilizing weapons capable of select fire must shoot additional rounds as described in Paragraph II.)

Target: B-27 Standard Silhouette

Rounds: 20

Scoring: Shots inside the 9 ring = 10 points

Shots outside the 9 ring = 0 points

Center head shots (if applicable) = 10 points

200 points are possible.

160 points, (80%) needed to Qualify.

Stage 1. 50-yard line

1. Starting from the ready position, fire 2 rounds standing, then 3 rounds prone.

5 rounds total

30 seconds.

Stage 2. 25-yard line

1. Starting from the ready position, fire 2 rounds standing, combat reload, then fire 3 more rounds kneeling

5 rounds total

30 seconds.

Stage 3. 15-yard line

1. Starting from the ready position, fire 5 rounds standing.

5 rounds total

10 seconds.

Stage 4. 3-yard line

1. Starting from the ready position, fire 5 rounds standing.

5-rounds total

7 seconds

Shots to the center of the head are recommended at this stage so that the shooter may demonstrate that he is aware of the impact change created by the sight over bore phenomenon that occurs with AR15/M16/M4 style rifles at close distances.