



Washington Counties Risk Pool
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WCIA in partnership with WCRP proudly sponsor:

TRAINING:

Use of Force: Core Principles

INSTRUCTOR:

Tom Ovens, Police Training Solutions

DATES:

Tuesday, August 8 and Wednesday, August 9, 2023

TIME ON BOTH DATES:

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (16 hours total)

LOCATION:

**Skamania County Courthouse Annex – Downstairs Meeting Room
170 NW Vancouver Ave. Stevenson, WA 98648**

AUDIENCE:

Law Enforcement Officers

DESCRIPTION:

Use of force is the biggest exposure law enforcement professionals face in today's world. The demand for nationwide police accountability and reform is at the forefront of every news cast; politicians find themselves jockeying for position based on their stance on police reform and accountability. Organizations are being held accountable and the outcomes are alarming. Take a pro-active approach; arm yourself with the knowledge and tools to be the tip of the spear on use of force training and review.

It is vital that you as a police officer understand and implement the current standards (practices) for using force, also know how your force will be micro-analyzed and the importance of how you report your force.

Course Highlights:

- Impact of the newly enacted laws in Washington State
- Current and Emerging Use of Force Standards, including the recent legislation
- Force Reporting
- Recognition Primed Decision Making
- Understanding a Critical Analysis of Force

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:

The instructor, Tom Ovens is an experienced trainer and use of force expert whose agency is now working under the most current national best practices established for police use of force and force review. Tom has over 21 years of experience testifying in court and consulting as an expert witness at the federal and state level on use of force (over two hundred cases). He provides a unique and valuable perspective on how agencies and officers can best navigate the fluid and constantly changing environment that they must now know how to operate in safely and effectively. His mission is to provide you with the most innovative knowledge and processes related to use of force and the potential liability associated with these traumatic encounters.

PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS:

- Must attend both consecutive dates (16 hours total) to receive attendance credit. No modifications.
- No refreshments provided. Participants are encouraged to provide their own snacks and beverages.
- Lunch on your own.

FEES:

WCIA & WCRP Members: Free | Non-Members: \$340 per person

Washington Cities Insurance Authority (WCIA) Members:

WCIA members are eligible to register for this training at no cost on a first come first served basis, up to 12 seats membership wide. Please register with WCRP and WCRP will then bill WCIA directly for the cost of registration. Travel costs such as meals or overnight lodging will be the agency's responsibility.

Washington Counties Risk Pool (WCRP) Members:

WCRP members are eligible to register for this training at no cost on a first come first served basis, up to 13 seats membership wide. Please register with the WCRP for your free seat! Travel costs such as meals or overnight lodging will be the county's responsibility.

\$340 No-Show Fee will be billed if cancellation notice is not received 24-hours prior to the first day of training or if the attendee does not attend both days.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

- Participants must register in advance.
- Registration deadline is end of day, **Wednesday, August 2, 2023**.
- Registering for the training will automatically enroll participant for both dates. Attendance to both dates is required.
- Register early- space is limited to 25 seats!

Register through [WCRP's Online Event Registration](#) portal, using the instructions below. Group registration cannot be accommodated, and each person will need register separately.

WCRP MEMBER COUNTIES:

- Select the training from the **Event** dropdown menu.
- Select the county you work for from the **Member County** dropdown menu.
- Click "**Go**" to access and complete the registration form.

WCIA MEMBER CITIES/TOWNS:

- Select the training from the **Event** dropdown menu.
- Select **WCIA** from the **Member County** dropdown menu.
- Type the **entity/agency** you work for in the **Non-Member Name** field.
- Click "**Go**" to access and complete the registration form.

NON-MEMBER AGENCIES:

- Select the training from the **Event** dropdown menu.
- Select **Non-Member** from the **Member County** dropdown menu.
- Type the **entity/agency** you work for in the **Non-Member Name** field.
- Click "**Go**" to access and complete the registration form.
- \$340 will be billed after the event has taken place.

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