



CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TACTICAL OFFICERS

## Chemical Agent Instructor Course

**Date:** February 2-6, 2026  
**POST Control #:** 1185-21625-25001  
**POST Plan:** IV  
**Tuition:** \$1102.00  
**Location:** Fresno County Sheriff's Office Foundation Range  
7633 N. Weber Ave  
Fresno, CA 93722

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This 40-hour instructor level course will expose students to various chemical agents and deployment techniques in the tactical environment. Each student will be required to present assigned topics to the class throughout the week and team-teach an assigned topic to a group of students as part of the course's final exam. The final exam consists of a written exam and a 60-minute practical application presentation. Presentation topics and team assignments will be given out on the first day of class.

**COURSE INSTRUCTORS:** This course is taught by a team of instructors who are highly skilled and experienced in the tactical deployment of chemical agents. The cadre has decades of special operations experience from which to share administrative and operational issues that impact law enforcement's use of chemical agents.

### STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING:

- A laptop and/or iPad/Tablet to complete the written components to the 60-minute practical application presentation.
- Munitions: two (2) ferrets and two (2) hand-held chemical agent munitions
- A 37mm/40mm chemical agent launcher
- Gas mask/air purifying respirator (APR) and an extra filter
- Hearing protection (that can be worn with a gas mask/APR)
- Nomex gloves
- Eye protection
- Tactical uniform and boots or other appropriate clothing
- Calculator

**LODGING:** This course will begin at 0800 hours on the first day and conclude at approximately 1300 hours on the last day. There is not a host hotel for this course.

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