

SWAT Commander Course

Date: January 26-30, 2026

POST Control #: 1185-23030-25002

POST Plan: IV

Tuition: \$700.00

Location: Contra Costa Co Sheriff

4300 Delta Gateway Blvd

Pittsburg, CA 94565

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This 40-hour course will address the various duties and responsibilities associated with the assignment as a Tactical Team Commander. Topics include:

- Leadership
- Liability
- Mission planning and review
- Public perception

- Tactical case reviews
- Penal Code 13514.1
- POST SWAT Operational Guidelines and Standardized Training Recommendations

COURSE INSTRUCTORS: Tenured command level officers with experience as SWAT commanders on active teams who possess decades of combined SWAT experience. The instructors will share their leadership experiences related to operations, administration, and personnel management of a special operations unit.

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING: A laptop computer to review documents and prepare presentations, a copy of the agency's SWAT policies and procedures/guidelines, and a copy of the agency's threat assessment matrix.

LODGING: Class will begin at 0800 hours on the first day and conclude at 1200 hours on the last day. There is no host hotel for this course.

Register online at catotraining.org

Questions? Contact CATO's Training Coordinator Desiree Harrington: dharrington@catotraining.org