



Ballistic Shield Instructor

REGION XV

FPSI

Course Outline:

This two-day course will expose students to best practices when using a ballistic shield and how to develop a ballistic shield training program for in-service training. Topics to be covered include NIJ ballistic ratings; shield materials and types; weapon transitions and offhand shooting with a shield; shooting on the move with a shield in single and double operator applications; downed officer rescue; and vehicle take-downs.

Required Equipment:

- 500 rounds of pistol and 200 rifle ammo
- SIMM/UTM pistol and 100 rounds
- Vest, Duty Gear, and Shield (if you have one)

All ammo, except SIMM rounds, will be provided to Region XV officers if needed.

Who Should Attend:

To attend this training the participant must be a Florida law enforcement officer, corrections officer, probation officer, or support personnel for a Florida law enforcement organization. For salary incentive courses, all officers outside Region III/XV must provide written authorization by agency representative requesting attendance and election of salary incentive or mandatory retraining.

Class Dates and Location:

Salary Incentive: No

Location: Firearms Building

Instructor: Bill Gazza, Gazza Tactical Solutions

Course Dates: August 12-13, 2025

Course Time: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Course Costs:

Tuition for Florida trust funded classes are covered fully by the trust fund. Housing and meals are provided ONLY for Region XV officers attending classes held at the Florida Public Safety Institute where the student is traveling over 50 miles to attend.

Course Calendar:

Click [here](#) to view our training courses.

Enrollment Information:

To register, Region III & XV officers should contact their agency training coordinator(s); all others contact:

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