### <u>LETHAL WEAPONS TRAINING (Act 235) – General</u> Information

The PLEC of HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College, is a certified center as specified by the Pennsylvania Lethal Weapons Training Act 235. Each participant who receives an approval letter from the Pennsylvania State Police (PSP) to attend this course and successfully completes the program will be certified by the PSP, Lethal Weapons Certification section. This training is designed for an individual, 18 years or older, who is employed for the purpose of providing security, protective patrol, detective or criminal investigative services for a fee and who carries a firearm, baton or other lethal weapon in the course of his/her employment. In order to be certified, the applicant must pass a physical, psychological examination, and a criminal history check. Appropriate PSP application forms must be completed by the applicant.

#### **HOW TO REGISTER – Before you can register you must do the following:**

- Receive an approval letter from the PSP for this training
- You must send the letter to our office via email policetrng@hacc.edu
- You will then be contacted by our office with registration instructions!

The certification is not one of attendance, but of successful completion. Please be advised that all forms are available through the Lethal Weapons website at <a href="https://www.psp.pa.gov/lethalweapons">www.psp.pa.gov/lethalweapons</a>.

NOTE: If enrollment numbers are insufficient, or an emergency situation should occur, courses may be canceled with limited notice.

### <u>Lethal Weapons Act 235 Certification</u> (40 hrs.) \$410

Act 235 is a certification class. <u>Students taking this class should already be proficient in using a firearm</u>—as this <u>IS NOT</u> a beginner's course for new shooters.

The purpose of this course is to develop knowledge of the critical nature of the use of force as applied to Certified agents. Justification of use of force in the protection of life and property will be included. The student will learn safe handling of firearms and fire a familiarization course with a 12-gauge shotgun and meet qualification standards with a handgun.

This course consists of 26-hours for the Academic Training module, which includes 4-hours for the Skills training module and then 14-hours for the Firearms Training module. Participants must successfully pass a written examination and a firearms qualification.

Students must have the ability to safely participate in the firearms course required for Lethal Weapons, Act 235 certification. One of the timed stages of this course requires kneeling and rising unassisted.

Required equipment for this course: A handgun that is at least a .38 or 9mm caliber and less than .50 caliber—which must be in good, operable condition as determined by HACC Range Instructors; at least two (2) magazines for semi-automatic pistols or at least one (1) speed loader for revolvers; 250 rounds of FACTORY ammunition (5 boxes of 50) for your weapon (NO RELOADS!); a "strong-side" hip holster; a cleaning kit and rags; eye and ear protection, and a baseball-style hat.

HACC will provide the use of a shotgun and ammunition during the shotgun familiarization portion of the course.

NOTE: An accidental discharge or an unsafe range incident as determined by our instructor/s; which results in the student being dismissed from the range is considered a failure of the firearms portion.

NOTE: Do not bring firearms to the classroom portions of this

course. NOTE: Minimum enrollment per class is 8 and the maximum is 15.

<u>Section</u>	<u>Date/s</u>	Day/s	<u>Time</u>	<b>Location</b>
60660	Feb 14,15,21,22	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
60661	Mar 14,15,21,22	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
60662	Apr 11,12,18,19	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
60663	May 09,10,16,17	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
60664	Jun 20,21,27,28	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
XXXXX	Jul 18,19,25,26	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
XXXXX	Aug 15,16,22,23	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
XXXXX	Sep 19,20,26,27	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
XXXXX	Oct 17,18,24,25	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE
xxxxx	Nov 14,15,21,22	S/Su	8am-7pm	HACC/PLE

### <u>Lethal Weapons Act 235 Certification – Academic-Only</u> \$205

Individuals who are interested in certification <u>without firearms</u> are required to attend a 26-hour course, which includes 22-hours of classroom instruction and 4-hours of armed and unarmed defense. Participants must successfully pass a written examination.

The Academic-Only Certification will be scheduled during a "regular" 40-hour Lethal Weapons class.

# <u>Lethal Weapons Act 235 Certification – Firearms Upgrade or repeat</u> \$205

Individuals who have been Act 235 certified without firearms can make a request to PSP to upgrade their certification to "with firearms". Upon receiving an upgrade approval letter to "with firearms" they can take the firearms upgrade.

The upgrade or repeat of the firearms portion of the 40-hr class, after failure, will be scheduled during a "regular" 40- hour Lethal Weapons class.

## <u>Lethal Weapons Act 235 Recertification</u> (8 hrs.) \$220

Individuals are required to successfully complete the recertification course every 5 years.

The purpose of this course is to provide an update and refresher of those sections of the PA Crimes Code which are most applicable to certified agents. The student will learn how a pistol, revolver, and shotgun operate and safe handling techniques. The student will be required to demonstrate proficiency in the use of a handgun and safe handling and firing of a 12-gauge shotgun.

This course consists of 4-hours of classroom instruction and 4-hours of firearms training. Participants must successfully pass a written examination and a firearms qualification.

Required equipment for this course: A handgun that is at least a .38 or 9mm caliber and less than .50 caliber—which must be in good, operable condition as determined by HACC Range Instructors; at least two (2) magazines for semi-automatic pistols or at least one (1) speed loader for revolvers; 150 rounds of FACTORY ammunition (3 boxes of 50) for your weapon (NO RELOADS!); a "strong-side" hip holster; a cleaning kit and rags; eye and ear protection, and a baseball-style hat.

HACC will provide the use of a shotgun and ammunition during the shotgun familiarization portion of the course.

NOTE: An accidental discharge or an unsafe range incident as determined by our instructor/s; which results in the student being dismissed from the range is considered a failure of the firearms portion.

NOTE: Do not bring firearms to the classroom portions of this

### course. NOTE: Minimum enrollment per class is 4 and the

#### maximum is 15.

<u>Section</u>	Date/s	Day/s	<u>Time</u>	<b>Location</b>
60654	Jan 17	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
60655	Feb 07	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
60656	Mar 07	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
60657	Apr 04	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
60658	May 02	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
60659	June 06	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
XXXXX	Jul 11	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
XXXXX	Aug 08	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
XXXXX	Sep 12	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
XXXXX	Oct 10	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
XXXXX	Nov 07	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC
XXXXX	Dec 19	S	8am-5pm	HACC/PLEC

### <u>Lethal Weapons Act 235 Recertification – Academic-Only</u> \$110

This course consists of 4-hours of classroom instruction. Participants must successfully pass a written examination.

The Academic-Only Recertification will be scheduled during a "regular" 8-hour Lethal Weapons Recertification class.

## <u>Lethal Weapons Act 235 – firearms only for 8-hr</u> <u>recertification class</u> \$110

Firearms portion of the 8-hr class.

Participants must successfully pass a firearms qualification on the range.

The firearms portion will be scheduled during a "regular" 8- hour Lethal Weapons Recertification class.

NOTE: An accidental discharge or an unsafe range incident as determined by our instructor/s; which results in the student being dismissed from the range is considered a failure of the firearms portion.

Note: You must repeat the course at the same location.