



Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM 2015-03

TO: Criminal Justice Training Center Directors
Criminal Justice Agencies

FROM: Director Dean Register *DR*
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SUBJECT: **Commission-Approved Safe Handling of Firearms Course**

During the 2013 Post-Basic Training Needs Assessment, it was identified that there are correctional probation officers in need of firearm safety training in the event they must handle a firearm in the field. As a result, Commission staff developed a new 16-hour specialized course titled Safe Handling of Firearms, number 2007. In May 2015, the Commission approved the new course with an effective date of August 1, 2015.

The Safe Handling of Firearms course contains student proficiencies in the topic areas of safe handling, loading and unloading, and correcting malfunctions. Student performance must be documented on the Firearms Handling Performance Evaluation form CJSTC-21.

This course is intended to meet the training needs of correctional probation officers; however, any criminal justice officer may benefit from attending the course.

The new course will be available for download through the Automated Training Management System (ATMS). If you have any questions, please contact Training and Research Manager Judd Butler, Curriculum Development Section, at juddbutler@fdle.state.fl.us or 850-410-8654.

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