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CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION **TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM 2023-19**

Date: October 27, 2023

TO: Criminal Justice Agency Administrators
Criminal Justice Training Center Directors
Criminal Justice Selection Center Directors

FROM: Director Chad Brown 
Criminal Justice Professionalism Division

SUBJECT: 2023 Firearms Curriculum Rewrite Summary

Over the last 13 months, several stakeholders have inquired about the recent firearms curriculum rewrite and its associated handgun qualifications and evaluations. During the August 2023 Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC) meeting, the high liability committee requested that Commission staff compose a brief summary of the decisions made by the subject matter expert (SME) workgroup.

In support of transparency, Commission staff chose to draft a more thorough summary that recounts not only the steps the SME workgroup took to reach each decision, but also the data that influenced those decisions and how they evolved throughout the three-year rewrite project.

The accompanying 31-page summary explains the need for the revision, recaps the SME selection process, highlights the data used to support the new curriculum, and outlines the decisions made while workshopping and field testing the new courses of fire.

You may also download the summary from the criminal justice training curriculum homepage: https://www.fdle.state.fl.us/CJSTC/Commission/Upcoming-CJSTC-Meeting/CJSTC-Agenda/Quarterly-Update-Summer-2023_layout/2023-Firearms-Rewrite-Summary.aspx

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