



South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy

TO: Mandated Training Personnel

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SUBJECT: Special Basic / Reserve to Class 1 Challenge

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Effective February 2021, the training of Special Basic and Reserve to Class 1 has been revised. Under the current training, Special Basics and Reserve Students are required to take the cumulative exam and show proficiency in firearms and driving. Those students are provided numerous opportunities to pass the proficiency; two (2) practice rounds and three (3) testing attempts. This is the same amount of attempts available to our current Basic Law students. The individuals that have been approved to participate in the Special Basic and Reserve to Class 1 training programs have previous Law Enforcement experience as outlined in their special request packet and we believe do not require this high of number of attempts.

The new format is as follows: Captain McMahan will proctor the cumulative exam every other Wednesday morning. Immediately after successfully passing the appropriate cumulative exam, the new firearms and driving proficiency format will consist of one (1) practice run and one (1) graded attempt. Reserve students will run the PAT following their proficiency attempts. Certifications will be issued upon completion.

With the implementation of this revised schedule, those that are unsuccessful at any point through the training program will fall under the following guidelines:

- Cumulative Test Failure – will need to complete the full 4x8 training
 - Will count as 1st failure
 - 2nd failure within the 4x8 will disqualify for one (1) year
- Firearms/Driving Failure – will recycle into BLE firearms and driving week
 - Will count as 1st failure
 - Fails firearms/driving proficiency will constitute as 2nd failure and will disqualify for one (1) year
- PAT Failure (Reserve to Class 1)
 - Will return to the agency for thirty (30) days to train for 2nd attempt
 - Failure of 2nd attempt will disqualify for one (1) year



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