

Texas Police Trainers LLC

De-Escalation Techniques: Limiting the Use of Force in Public Interaction (#1849)



Course Description: This course is mandated for those seeking to obtain their Intermediate or Advanced Proficiency Certification. This course is also mandated every four years for those individuals who do not have an Intermediate Proficiency Certificate or higher and for those seeking licensing in Texas.

This course provides law enforcement officers with the essential skills and strategies to de-escalate crisis situations effectively. The curriculum is designed to enhance an officer's ability to communicate and respond to individuals in distress, reducing the need for physical force and improving safety for all parties.

Topics covered:

- Introduction
- Critical Decision-Making Model (CDM)
- Crisis Recognition and Response
- Tactical Communications
- Operational Safety Tactics
- Integration and Practice

Who should attend: Peace Officers working toward their intermediate, and advanced proficiency certificate on or after April 1, 2018.

Course information & Registration:

Hosting Agency: Dallas County Constable Pct 4

Training Location: 106 West Church Street, Suite 110, Grand Prairie, TX 75050

Date: May 15, 2026

Time: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

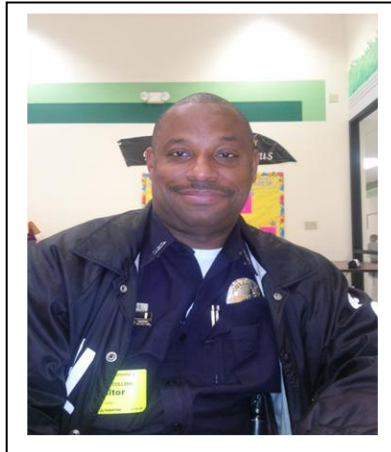
Length of course: 8 hours (Training hours will be reported by CLEAT)

Cost per attendee: \$50.00

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Arlington North – Stadium Area, 1024 Brookhollow Plaza Drive, Arlington, Texas 76006. **To receive our Corporate Discount, make your reservation through Texas Police Trainers at 512-766-0659.**

To register: [Click here](#) or go to <https://texaspolice trainers.com/?p=17772> or give us a call at 512-766-0659

About the Instructor: Donovan Collins



Lieutenant Donovan Collins is a seasoned law enforcement professional with over 30 years of dedicated service, including more than 15 years in command roles. A proud native of Dallas, Texas, for 60 years, Donovan is married and has one beautiful daughter.

Currently overseeing the South Rail Operations Unit for the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Police Department. Lieutenant Collins holds a Master Peace Officer License. His extensive expertise is further bolstered by numerous instructor certifications, including Advanced Firearms Instructor, Range Master, Police Instructor, Glock Armorer, Defensive Tactics Instructor, ASP Baton Instructor, De-Escalation Instructor, and Mental Health Officer.

Beyond his operational duties, Lieutenant Collins is a passionate educator. He teaches vital courses such as Practicing Serving and Leading, Sexual Harassment, De-escalation Techniques, Canine Encounter, Interacting with Drivers Deaf or Hard of Hearing, and Workplace Violence. He also plays a pivotal role with Texas Police Trainers, serving as the Director of External Agency Relations and as a key member of their Instructor Development Team.

In his free time, Donovan enjoys riding his motorcycle, playing volleyball, handgun instructing, and bike riding. Lieutenant Collins lives by his philosophy concerning training: “When you can laugh and learn at the same time, you tend to learn better.” This approach underscores his commitment to creating effective and engaging learning environments for his fellow officers.

