

PASA PARK POLICY: LAW-ENFORCEMENT AND MILITARY TRAINING

There are several options for Law-Enforcement agencies or Military units wishing to conduct firearms training and practice at PASA Park; some formal, some not-so-formal.

1. The formal option is by a contract, drawn up to individual department/unit needs. For example, the Quincy Police Department (QPD) contracts annually with PASA to conduct all department firearms training here. By the contract terms, QPD assumes all liability for their presence, and pays an annual contract fee. By coordination with PASA, training is scheduled for various dates during the year at the Training Range and other specific PASA Park facilities. When such official training sessions are being conducted, those venues and facilities are closed to use for any other PASA activity. The City of Quincy also pays individual PASA membership dues for any officers who might wish to use PASA Park for practice outside of the contracted official training sessions. Various Illinois National Guard units also conduct official training here, again under contracts by which they assume all liability, with the differences being that PASA does not charge a fee for official military training, and any individual National Guard members who wish to practice here outside of the official sessions must pay for their own PASA memberships.



2. A second, less formal approach is taken by the Illinois Department of Corrections sniper unit. The State of Illinois does not fund their training (doesn't even pay for the ammo they use), and will not contract for a training location. So the members of the DOC Sniper Team have all paid their own dues to become PASA members individually, and they conduct their own training and practice sessions here as a group, but merely as PASA members. They assume the liability themselves under the obligations of the PASA membership waiver which all PASA members must sign. Their team leader calls in advance to schedule a training session, and we do everything we can



to accommodate them with a range venue that we can close to other members, working around anything else that may be scheduled here during the same time. And, as individual PASA members, they can of course use the Park ranges on their own at any other time they wish, just like any other PASA members. The Illinois National Guard's State Rifle Team, which also has to conduct and fund its own practice, uses the same approach.

3. A completely informal approach is for members of any agency (or agencies) who want to train and practice here to simply all become PASA members and then just show up either together or individually whenever they feel like it. Of course, this option means they have to share any given range venue or facility with any other PASA members that may be there at the same time.

RANGE USE:

PASA Park maintains a specifically designated Training Range and a Dark House/Shoot House, which are administered by the Director of PASA's Training Division. These ranges and facilities are closed to use by PASA members generally. However:

- a. Members of law enforcement agencies or military units which contract with PASA under Option #1 above may use the Training Range (but not the Dark House) for individual practice **WITH THEIR DUTY WEAPONS** outside of scheduled training whenever that range is not otherwise being used, ***if*** they are also PASA members. Such law-enforcement members may ***NOT*** use the Training Range for recreational shooting, or bring guests or friends to the Training Range who are not also members of those agencies or departments. When law-enforcement PASA members bring family or guests for recreational shooting on other PASA Park range venues, they are bound by the same policies concerning guests and visitors as all other PASA members. Violation of these policies can result in revocation of membership.



- b. Law-enforcement or military units which train/practice here under Option #2 can use the Training Range or Dark House ***only*** by advance scheduling when those facilities are not otherwise being used.
- c. Law Enforcement or military individuals or groups who choose to train or practice here merely as PASA members under Option #3, do ***not*** have access to the official PASA Training Range or Dark House at all.

For further information concerning options and scheduling for Law Enforcement or military training at PASA Park, contact the PASA Park President: pasa1@pasapark.com.