TXPSTA

"The policeman's job is the highest calling in the world. The men who do that job should be the finest men. They should be the best educated. They should be college graduates."
-August Vollmer

TXPSTA LAW AND PUBLIC SERVICE COMPETITION

Room Clearing

School Name: _____

Participant Names:

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This event evaluates a team's ability to safely and systematically search a building using proper law enforcement search techniques. Teams will be assessed on officer safety, communication, tactical movement, search methods, teamwork, and their ability to locate and respond to potential threats or persons within the structure.

Competitors are required to provide: Notebook and writing utensil. Flashlight. Duty Belt, including, 1-2 sets of handcuffs, training weapon and holster, and handcuff key.

Each team shall consist of four (4) to five (5) members**.** Teams will have a maximum of twenty-five (25) minutes to complete the Building Search event. After reading the event instructions and scenario, the judge will announce "Start" to begin the event and the official time. If the team has not completed the event within the allotted time, the judge will announce "Time," and the event will immediately conclude.

Start Time: _____

End Time: _____

Total Time: _____

Judge Name: _____

Judge Comments:

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Scoring Criteria: Scoring Criteria: 0= Task not completed, 10= Task Completed

		Score 0-10
1	Team leader advises dispatch that they are “On Scene” and have assembled a “contact” team	
2	Team contacts dispatch to notify property owner/key holder	
3	Team member attempts to gain any Intel from persons about location of suspect, description, weapon etc.)	
4	Approaches entrance and secures point of entrance and other exits.	
5	Team gets into formation and advances	
6	Team draws weapon when needed.	
7	Team utilizes appropriate cover.	
8	Team overall used the center of the hallway throughout the scenario (did not hug the walls)	
9	Team safely enters the unlocked and/ or rooms properly and does not stay in the fatal funnel.	
10	Team members use proper communication with each other during search.	
11	Team members cover each other as they search the rooms.	
12	Team members (Cover officers) are left to watch the hallway	
13	Team members conduct proper searching/clearing of all rooms before moving to the next. (Secondary Search)	
14	Team members exit rooms properly	
15	Team uses proper verbal commands when contacting suspects in the room.	
16	Team members use proper cover and positioning when the arresting officer is contacting suspect.	
17	Team recognizes the threat and engages the suspect properly.	
18	Team members frisks/searches suspect(s) using proper techniques.	
19	Team members use proper arrest techniques are used to secure suspect(s) in handcuffs (Double Locked)	
20	Team member checks all subjects via NCIC/TCIC for warrant and criminal history	
21	Team member checks all firearms for stolen via NCIC/TCIC providing make, model, serial #, caliber)	
22	Team member reads “Miranda Warning Rights” to each suspect they question about the offense	
23	Team member properly secures any property/evidence found on suspect	
24	All team members demonstrated team work throughout entire scenario	
25	Team member advises dispatch transporting any prisoner(s) to jail for specific offense(s)	
	Score	

Deductions: (Ranging from 1-10)

1	Officer Safety Violations. Any member shot, stabbed, killed or disarmed.	
2	Firearm safety violations. “Lasering” partner, cross-fire, finger on trigger, leaving weapon unsecure. etc.	
3	Illegal searches or illegal arrest (Team member fails to confirm warrants or has no PC to arrest)	
4	Excessive use of force: Causing actor “PAIN” or shooting an unarmed person (Non resisting)	
5	Suspect allowed to leave the scene or not locating suspect (No arrest made)	
	(-50 points max) Subtotal:	
	Total Score	