

MARKSMEN RESPONSIBILITY

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GOAL STATEMENT

THIS BLOCK OF INSTRUCTION WILL PROVIDE A WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF A MARKSMAN. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE STUDENT REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SELECTION OF PERSONNEL TO THIS ASSIGNMENT WITHIN THE SWAT TEAM. THIS ASSIGNMENT IS A VERY SENSITIVE RESPONSIBILITY AND THEREFORE, GREAT CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN IN THE SELECTION OF PERSONNEL.

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THE MARKSMAN POSITION ON THE S.W.A.T. TEAM MAY BE THE MOST CRITICAL TACTICAL POSITION. THIS IS BECAUSE OF THE GREAT AMOUNT OF RESPONSIBILITY A MARKSMAN HAS AFTER BEING SET ON THE PERIMETER. HIS PRIMARY FUNCTION IS THE PROTECTION OF ALL OFFICERS WITHIN THE INNER PERIMETER. IF HE FAILS IN THIS RESPONSIBILITY IT COULD CAUSE INJURY OR DEATH TO THESE OFFICERS. BECAUSE OF THIS AWESOME RESPONSIBILITY IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU HAVE HIGHLY TRAINED AND EMOTIONALLY MATURE INDIVIDUALS ASSIGNED TO THIS POSITION.