



USE OF FORCE LIABILITY

This course satisfies the Idaho POST Legal/Liability training

- Revisiting Graham v Connor and the “Most Important Factor”
- Review of Barnes v Felix and the “Totality of Circumstances”
- Reasonableness and the Trier of Fact
- Current “Hot Topics” in Law Enforcement Use of Force
- Grounding a subject
- Prone Restraint
- De-Escalation
- Duty to Intervene
- Threat and Variability
- Memory
- Writing reports to reduce liability and increase accuracy
- Video analysis
- Evidence collection



WHERE AND WHEN

January 29, 2026 0800-1700

Idaho Fish & Game Salmon Regional Office
99 Hwy 93 North
Salmon, ID 83467

COST: \$150.00

Meals and lodging are not included

To register contact Matt at: matt@police-trainer.com or call: 907-406-8200

Instructor Information

Matt Bloodgood, a retired Anchorage Police Sergeant, brings extensive experience from roles in Patrol, SWAT, specialized teams, and academy operations. He recently retired from Idaho POST, where he served as a Regional Training Coordinator.

Matt continues to serve as a POST instructor in Firearms, Tactical Teams, and Use of Force. In addition, he provides instruction at Idaho State University and College of Eastern Idaho Law Enforcement Academies. He also works as a consultant and has been accepted in court as an expert in use of force and police practices.

Cancellation policy: Full refund if cancelled at least three weeks prior to course. Within three weeks from course date, 50% refund. **Within three days of class start, No Refund.**