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## **AXON TASER CERTIFICATION - RECERTIFICATION**

**DATE:** March 7, 2024  
**TIME:** 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** Macoupin County Sheriff's Office – Conference Room  
215 S. East Street, Carlinville, IL  
**INSTRUCTORS:** Officer Mitchell Barton – Pittsfield Police  
Department – SRO, FTO and Axon Taser Instructor

**MEETS IL MANDATES:** Constitutional Use of LE Authority (.5 hrs.), Procedural Justice (.5 hrs.), De-escalation Techniques (2.5 hrs./1.5 hrs. scenario-based training), Law concerning stops, searches, and use of force (1 hr.), Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time (2.5 hrs./1.5 hrs. scenario/based training)

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### **INSTRUCTOR**

Corporal Mitchell Barton started his career in Law Enforcement in 2016 with the Canton Police Department in Canton, Missouri. Currently Barton works for the Pittsfield Police Department. He has been a certified Taser Instructor through Axon International since 2018. Barton has served as the School Resource Officer for the Pikeland School District and as a Field Training Officer with Pittsfield. Officer Barton also instructs and competes in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu and Judo through Midwest Jiu Jitsu Academy.

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course will serve as a basic user certification course and or a re-certification course. Course materials provided by Axon International will obtain information related to Conducted Energy Weapons (CEWs). The course content will include but not limited to basic operations of CEWs, nomenclature of CEWs in use, proper handling and maintenance, legal updates, and case law.

Students will participate in a lecture/discussion supplemented with a presentation provided by Axon International. Students will also participate in practical exercises to include proper loading and unloading drills, proper drive stun applications, deployment risk, drawing drills, and proper evidence packaging procedures.

Following an evaluation, students will be provided scenario based live fire exercises to include but not limited to; malfunction drills, reload while under stress, disconnect drills, and drive stun follow up drills.

### **STUDENTS MUST BRING THE FOLLOWING:**

Students are expected to provide CEW, safety glasses, duty belt and holster for CEW, and a minimum of two live cartridges. Duty weapons and or knives are not allowed during practical section of training.

### **No Shows/Cancellation Policy**

West Central IL Criminal Justice Council-MTU #9 has instituted a No Show/Cancellation fee of \$50.00 to be invoiced to member/non-member agencies who do not provide sufficient notice of cancellations seven (7) days before start of class. This Fee will be invoiced within a week of an officer's absence from a training course in which he/she was registered. If an agency is unable to provide advance notice of its intent to cancel course registration because of circumstances beyond its control, the Director will have the discretion to waive this payment. Any requests to waive No Show/Cancellation Fee must be made to the Director in writing. (View Full Policy [HERE](#))

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**This Course is certified and approved by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board**