**2:01:06:17.05.  Standards for authorization to act as firearms instructor.** The commission or the executive secretary may authorize an individual to act as a firearms instructor under § 2:01:06:17.01, if the individual successfully completes the following courses:

(1)  A law enforcement handgun instructor course which, at a minimum, addresses the following subject areas:

(a)  Liability and use of force;

(b)  Safety and basic handgun nomenclature;

(c)  Basic handling and operation of handguns;

(d)  Fundamentals of shooting and remediation of shooting errors; and

(e)  Skill building and testing; and

(2)  An instructor development course or a similar course of study that includes the development of lesson plans, teaching objectives, and test questions.

A firearms instructor must successfully complete a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education in the areas listed in subdivision (1) or (2), every four calendar years, beginning January 1, 2009. If a firearms instructor fails to meet or maintain the training requirements listed in this section, the instructor's authorization to act as a commission-approved firearms instructor is suspended until such time as the appropriate training has been successfully completed and approved by the commission or executive secretary.

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