

Karl J. Westendorf

Karl Westendorf has more than 25 years of public service and instructor experience. Karl began as a baseball coach and parks and recreation leader, then several years as an elementary school teacher or brain builder, and eventually landed in law enforcement with 13 years of professional instruction and development of new and experienced officers. He is currently a Sergeant and Training Coordinator with the Weatherford Police Department in Texas.

Karl has taught as an adjunct professor at Weatherford College Law Enforcement Academy focusing on officer safety on the street and in the courtroom. He is a TEEEX and NAPD driving instructor, GLOCK and TCOLE firearms instructor, NRA tactical shotgun instructor, ALERRT Integrated Response to Active Attack instructor, and instructs on verbal and written communication, interview, and interrogation techniques, as well as Critical Incident Training and de-escalation.

In his role as Training Coordinator, Karl worked with Rick Whitehead and Associates to develop and implement their new Officer in Training Program, where the focus is on instruction and application of skills rather than on evaluation of un-learned or un-taught tasks. In addition, he is an active member of the Firearms instructional team, Force on Force Team, lead instructor for the simulator scenario-based training, and lead driving instructor for the Weatherford Police Department. Karl is an advocate for TXDOT, End the Streak, and has instructed over 300 new students in NAPD certified instruction and countless hours of in-house training reducing officer-involved accidents for local law enforcement agencies.

Karl is also an advocated and beta test associate for the Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS) since 2018. He worked closely with Daniel Howard and DDACTS officials to create their shift training approach to reach the officer on the street in a modified format. In addition, he has participated in and taught Large Truck and Bus Traffic Enforcement Training Curriculum.

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