



# Kleiber Investigations and Training

## DESIGNATED MARKSMAN

### Course Description:

**Designated Marksman** training is not sniper training, nor is it a patrol rifle class. This 24-hour course is designed to bridge the gap between the limitations of the patrol rifle and a trained sniper. In today's law enforcement environment, a responding patrol officer may need

to engage targets beyond distances commonly associated with a patrol rifle, and there likely will not be time to wait for a SWAT sniper to arrive. This 24-hour class will provide the training necessary for officers to competently engage targets at extended distances utilizing a slightly enhanced carbine / rifle. Successful graduates will know how and when to deploy the weapon effectively and safely and be able to identify and engage targets at distances up to 400 yards. Students should expect a fast paced and physically active learning environment that will include running, kneeling and quickly assuming various unique shooting positions.



### Pre-requisites:

- must be a current sworn law enforcement officer
- completed carbine / patrol rifle operator certification

### Outline:

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the following subjects:

- DMR rifle set up
- use of optical sights
- zeroing
- long range shooting techniques / unconventional shooting positions
- range estimation / holdovers
- external ballistics / wound ballistics
- environmental effects and considerations
- tactics and techniques for deploying the weapon at extended ranges
- CQB techniques
- low light / night considerations
- moving targets / lead computation

### Equipment:

**Rifle** – A designated marksman rifle should fill the role of a patrol rifle but also possess the ability to accurately engage targets at extended distances. The standard AR15 / M16 is perfectly acceptable with a few modifications. The rifle and ammunition should be capable of shooting 2 MOA or tighter groups. A free floated barrel and a trigger pull weight of about 4 lbs. is ideal. It should employ a variable power scope with a magnification no higher than 6x and must be capable of true 1x on the lowest setting. Fixed power scopes of 3x to 4x are acceptable. Attached bipods can be useful but are not required.

