

Adaptive Control

Instructor Course Overview



Overview

Adaptive Control (AC) is an honest, realistic, and principle-based approach to best-practice combatives, grounded in an ecological training philosophy where learning is driven by experience rather than instruction alone. The system allows instructors and participants to experience why integrating modern TASER devices into combatives is operationally sound.

AC is a complete and scalable system addressing standing and ground engagements, threat control, movement, and tactical decision-making. It can function as a comprehensive Defensive Tactics (DT) framework or as an integrated component within broader use-of-force and general policing strategies.

Course Purpose

- Develop a principle-based understanding of how combatives and TASER use integrate into a single operational system.
- Build decision-making and problem-solving skills for dynamic, real-world physical encounters.
- Provide a scalable system applicable as a complete defensive tactics framework or integrated within broader arrest and control strategies.
- Develop coaches—not just practitioners—by providing sound teaching methodologies, training frameworks, and tools to support cultural change within agencies.

Who Should Attend

- Law enforcement officers in roles where force can/will be used
- Defensive tactics, use-of-force, and TASER instructors
- Specialized units and training cadre responsible for operational skills development

Key Training Components

- A scalable, realistic, principle-based approach to combatives
- Development of training plans using ecological teaching methods
- Proficiency in AC's five pillars: Vertical, Horizontal, Threat Control, Threat Barrier, and Coaching

Course Format & Duration

- Pre-course learning: AC App (approx. 4–5 hours)
- In-person training: 4-day / 40-hour physical course
 - *Closed course:* Agency-Specific AC (4 or 5 days; tailored to agencies and specialized units, integrating combatives directly into existing, streamlined tactics).
- Post-course development: AC App (approx. 4–5 hours)

Certification

Participants who successfully complete the course receive **Adaptive Control certification**, certifying them to train end-users. Certification may be used as a foundation for continued development, instructor pathways, or integration into agency-specific training and qualification programs