



# TACTICAL FLIGHT OFFICERS COURSE

## LOCATION:

Tampa, Florida

## COURSE LENGTH:

Three days, 24 classroom hrs.

## DATE / TIME:

Mon., Dec 17 – Wed., 19, 2018  
0800 – 1700 hours each day

## INSTRUCTORS:

Clay Lacey; Texas Department of Public Safety

Dudley Crosson, PhD; Delta P, Inc. / APSA Aeromedical Liaison

Paul Marino, Esquire; APSA Legal Counsel

Nick Minx; Tactical Flying, Inc. / San Diego Police Department

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:** The **Tactical Flight Officer Course** is designed to provide aircrew members the tactical skills and information necessary to safely and successfully support ground units engaged in a variety of law enforcement missions. Although specifically designed for tactical flight officers, this course is applicable to pilots and crewmembers alike and is also a valuable course for unit supervisors. Attendees will learn the elements of crew coordination, gain knowledge on how to set up a perimeter, direct the activities of ground units from the air, manage a vehicle pursuit and conduct a thermal imagery search using the latest in airborne tactics. Additionally, attendees will learn what specialized equipment is available and how to properly use the most common tools. This class is essential to the professional development of aviation law enforcement personnel and also meets one of the requirements for TFO training related to accreditation.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE:** This course is specifically intended for law enforcement personnel assigned to aviation support units as Tactical Flight Officers. Flight Observers, Pilots and Unit Supervisors.

## COURSE OUTLINE

DAY ONE		
0800 – 0830	Introductions and Course Overview	Clay Lacey
0830 – 1030	Legal Aspects of Airborne Law Enforcement	Paul Marino
1030 – 1200	TFO Selection and Training	Clay Lacey
1200 – 1300	Lunch   On Own	
1300 – 1700	Helicopter Patrol Tactics	Clay Lacey

DAY TWO		
0800 – 0900	Fixed-Wing Patrol Tactics and Applications	Clay Lacey
0900 – 1030	Risk Analysis	Clay Lacey
1030 – 1200	Pursuit Management	Clay Lacey
1200 – 1300	Lunch   On Own	
1300 – 1700	Suspect Tactics and Perimeter Containment	Clay Lacey

DAY THREE		
0800 – 1000	Thermal Imagery Theory and Tactics	Nick Minx
1000 – 1100	Personal Protective and Safety Equipment	Dudley Crosson, PhD
1100 – 1200	Attitudes in the Cockpit	Clay Lacey
1200 – 1300	Lunch   On Own	
1300 – 1430	Air Support to K-9 Operations	Clay Lacey
1430 – 1600	CRM for Law Enforcement Crews	Clay Lacey
1600 – 1700	Course Review and Critique	Clay Lacey

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