



## HR 218 FIREARMS QUALIFICATIONS 2024

The Broward Sheriff's Office – Training Division is offering BSO retired DLE and DOD deputies, as well as other retired certified law enforcement officers that reside in Broward County, an opportunity to qualify under HR 218/H.B. 143, Chapter 2007-111. Former Broward Sheriff's Office deputies are exempt from the requirement of having to reside within Broward County.

Qualifications for retired law enforcement deputies and officers will be held at:

**BSO Firearms Training Range - Markham Park Shooting Range**  
16001 West State Road 84, Sunrise, Florida 33326

The following dates have been selected for the 2024 calendar year:

**FEBRUARY 17, MAY 18, AUGUST 17, AND NOVEMBER 16, 2024**

The range can accommodate up to 20 participants per relay. Relays will be scheduled starting at 8:00 am, with other times slots added as needed. Qualifications will be conducted by BSO's certified CJSTC Firearms Instructors.

Please see the following requirements to participate:

- By Florida law, all costs associated with the demonstration by such person to meet the required range testing component shall be the expense of the person being tested. The cost is **\$100.00 per person for each qualification session attended. Broward Sheriff's Office retirees are exempt from this fee.**
- Only checks or money orders will be accepted. Payment should be made payable to the Broward Sheriff's Office. Participants may add "Firearms qualification, HR 218" to the note section of their check or money order.
- Retirees interested in participating must e-mail [BSOHR218@sheriff.org](mailto:BSOHR218@sheriff.org) to reserve a position on one of the scheduled qualifying dates and indicating which relay: 8:00 am or 10:00 am.
- Information will be posted in the BSO website [www.sheriff.org](http://www.sheriff.org). Click – Announcements (front page) to direct you to link/page to download packet.
- Retired law enforcement deputies or officers who wish to participate must:

- ❖ Have photo identification showing proof as a Broward County resident (for non-BSO retirees),
- ❖ Have photo identification issued by the agency from which the individual retired from service as a law enforcement officer,
- ❖ **Bring HR 218 Retired Officer Request for Firearms Qualification form completed and notarized, prior to attending a qualification session,**
- ❖ Agree that the BSO range rules and policies in effect will be adhered to by each participant prior to qualification,
- ❖ Meet the BSO current standards for qualifications, which require the retired employee to regularly qualify in the use of a firearm (please see the attached Range Rules and Policies and qualification course of fire),
- ❖ Use ammunition in the following calibers: 38 caliber, .380 caliber, 9-millimeter, 40 caliber and 45 calibers, issued by the BSO firearms (no other calibers of ammunition will be allowed),
- ❖ Qualify with handguns chambered for the approved calibers,
- ❖ Have their firearms in a holster with the trigger covered,
- ❖ Be prepared to have their firearms inspected for safety and functionality by BSO firearms instructors,
- ❖ Understand that firearms found to be unsafe or un-serviceable will not be allowed on the firing line,
- ❖ Understand that BSO firearms instructors conducting the qualification will have the final discretionary authority to disqualify firearms or person(s) based on safety concerns.

Broward Sheriff's Office retired personnel currently residing out of the State of Florida and qualifying out of state, can contact the Broward Sheriff's Office, Employee Benefits section; in writing, requesting a verification of employment letter. To ensure accuracy, please include your full name, former CCN# and a return address.

Please mail your requests to:

Broward Sheriff's Office  
 Employee Benefits Section  
 2601 West Broward Blvd  
 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312

Based on the mandatory requirements under HR 218/HB 143, we strongly encourage those who are interested in participating and qualifying under the color of the Broward Sheriff's Office, carefully review both HR 218 and HB 143 in its entirety to ensure that they meet all the necessary criteria and documentation required under the law. Both HR 218 and HB 143 are public record and available upon request from FDLE or may be accessed online at the FDLE website.

The HR 218 card will expire one (1) year from the issuing date.

**BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**HR 218 Retired Officer Request for Firearm  
Qualification**

To be filled by Training Personnel:  
Card #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Score: \_\_\_\_\_  
Firearm: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B \_\_\_\_\_

Retiring Agency \_\_\_\_\_ Retirement Date \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Service \_\_\_\_\_

State of Florida, in and for Broward County

Before me, the undersigned personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who being by me  
duly sworn, deposes and says:

I retired in good standing from law enforcement with: at least 10 years of aggregate service as a law enforcement  
or correctional officer. OR a service connected disability other than mental instability. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)

I have a nonforfeitable right to benefits under the retirement plan set forth by my agency. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)

I am not prohibited under Federal law from receiving or possessing a firearm. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)

I am not under the influence of alcohol or any other intoxicating or hallucinatory substance. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)

I have no physical limitations that would interfere with the proper handling of a handgun. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)

I understand that I must meet and follow the procedures established by HR 218 and the State of Florida in meeting  
the requirements for obtaining proper certification. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)

I have not made any material misrepresentation, or failed to disclose any material fact, in my request for  
certification to carry a firearm under the procedures and requirements set forth by HR 218 and the State of  
Florida. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)

Applicant's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name\Title of person authorized to administer oath  
(FSS 117.10 Notary or Law Enforcement Officer)

**HR 218 Retired Officer**  
**Release and Indemnity Agreement**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ being 18 years of age or older, do hereby agree to the following terms and conditions related to my use of the Broward County Sheriff's Office's ("BSO") fifty (50) yard target range (hereinafter referred to as "Target Range Facilities"):

I agree to hold harmless and indemnify BSO, the Sheriff of Broward County, his current and former directors, officers, deputies, employees, agents, representatives, volunteers and servants from any claim, cause of action, or lawsuit resulting in property damage or personal injury to myself or others as a result of my use of the Target Range Facilities, **including any claim, cause of action or lawsuit based on the negligence, actions or inactions of BSO, the Sheriff of Broward County, his directors, officers, deputies, employees, agents, representatives, volunteers or servants.**

I, the undersigned, intend to be legally bound hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for losses and damages including, but not limited to, property damage and personal injuries, that exist, now or in the future, against BSO, the Sheriff of Broward County, his directors, officers, deputies, employees, agents, representatives, volunteers and servants resulting, either directly or indirectly, in connection with my use of the Target Range Facilities **including any claim, cause of action or lawsuit based on the negligence, actions or inactions of BSO, the Sheriff of Broward County, his directors, officers, deputies, employees, agents, representatives, volunteers or servants.**

**I understand that this Release and Indemnity Agreement includes any and all claims based on the negligence, actions or inactions of BSO, the Sheriff of Broward County, his directors, officers, deputies, employees, agents, representatives, volunteers or servants and covers bodily injury and property damage, whether suffered by me or another person.**

I will abide by the following rules and regulations governing use of the tactical training facility:

- a. I will abide by the instructions given by BSO Range Masters.
- b. Only ammunition provided by the Broward Sheriff's Office may be used and only those calibers of ammunition utilized by BSO for its current employees may be used.
- c. All firearms must be inspected and approved by the BSO Range Master prior to qualifying.
- d. Violations of these rules and regulations may result in the participant not being permitted to further utilize the tactical training facility.
- e. All injuries or training accidents must be reported immediately to the Broward Sheriff's Office range staff.

I agree that in the event any portion of this Release and Indemnity Agreement is held invalid, the balance shall continue in full force and effect.

In executing this Release and Indemnity Agreement, I represent that I have had a reasonable opportunity to seek and select legal advice and have relied upon the advice of my own legal representative, who is an attorney of my own choice, or have voluntarily chosen not to seek the advice of an attorney, and that the terms of this Release and Indemnity Agreement have been completely read and that those terms are fully understood and voluntarily accepted by me.

In the event of litigation in connection with or concerning the subject matter of this Release and Indemnity Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all costs and expenses incurred by such party in connection therewith, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Releasor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Releasor

WITNESS:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Range Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## Firearms Range Safety Rules

1. **Treat** every weapon as if it is loaded.
2. **Never** point your weapon at anything you do not intend to shoot.
3. **Keep** your finger off the trigger and outside the trigger guard until you are ready to fire.
4. **Keep** your weapon on safe until you intend to fire.
5. **Know** your target and what lies beyond it.
6. Always obey all range commands immediately and without hesitation.
7. Carelessness or inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.
8. No cellphones or other devices are permitted on the firing line.
9. Only go forward of the firing line when directed to do so.
10. Eye and ear protection shall always be worn during live fire.
11. Ballistic vests shall always be worn during live fire.
12. All personnel entering or leaving the range shall safely carry all weapons.
13. All firearms brought onto the range shall be unloaded, unless the firearm is worn directly on the person in an approved holster.
14. All rifles brought onto the range shall be slung on the body, muzzle down, no magazine inserted, bolt locked to the rear, chamber empty, ejection port cover open, and on safe.
15. Firearms shall only be loaded and unloaded on the range or designated area when directed by a Firearms Instructor; the muzzle shall be pointed in a safe direction.
16. Before disassembly, all weapons will be cleared, made safe, and verified by a Firearms Instructor.

**Failure to abide by these rules shall result in your immediate removal and disciplinary action.**

**Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission  
Adopted the following Firearms Qualification Standard For  
Active Law Enforcement Officers**

The Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission at its August 2005 meeting in Coral Springs, following a review and discussion of the recommendations submitted by the Commission's Select Committee on Firearms Qualification Standards, adopted a statewide firearms qualification standard for active law enforcement officers.

The Commission's Firearms Qualification Standard shall be completed every other year beginning July 1, 2006, with the first reporting period ending June 30, 2008; the reporting period will be every two years thereafter. Any officer who fails to meet the required firearms qualification standard shall be removed from sworn duty until he or she has met the required standard. Any officer who fails to meet the standard by June 30, 2008, shall have his/her certification made inactive.

The Course of-Fire and the related requirements are outlined below:

**COURSE OF FIRE**

<b>Stage 1</b>	<b>Stage 4</b>
Hip position from the holster Single target, 1 to 3-yard line 2 rounds in 4 seconds Repeat 1 time for a total of 4 rounds	Two hand high point from the holster Single target, 7-yard line 3 rounds in 5 seconds Repeat for a total of 6 rounds
<b>Stage 2</b>	<b>Stage 5</b>
Two hand high point from ready gun Single target, 3 yard line 2 rounds in 1 second Repeat two times for a total of 6 rounds	Two hand high point from the holster Single target, 7-yard line Mandatory reload 12 rounds in 45 seconds
<b>Stage 3</b>	<b>Stage 6</b>
Two hand high point from the holster Single target, 7-yard line 2 rounds in 4 seconds from the holster 2 rounds in 4 seconds from ready gun position 2 rounds in 4 seconds from ready gun position	Two hand high point from the holster Single target, 15 yard line 6 rounds in 30 seconds
<b>Minimum Score</b>	
Total of 40 rounds Minimum score of 80% 32 of 40 rounds in the scoring area	

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- The B-21 E target or its equivalent is required
- The qualification course of fire shall be conducted in daylight conditions
- An officer must qualify with the type of weapon that is to be carried
- The qualification course of fire must be administered by a CJSTC certified firearms instructor
- The qualification course of fire may be conducted at either a CJSTC certified training school range, an agency range or a private range
- Remedial training and qualification may be conducted by employing agency.