

DEFENSIVE USE OF FIREARMS

Revised and Updated



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The most apparent part of this update is the expansion of the abilities chapter with the help of several methods, fleshing out a continuum for close-quarters fight. Acclaimed in its 1st edition for packing so much information in to such a little package, Defensive Use of Firearms offers been updated to get today's gun owners. This concise and inexpensive handbook offers materials of value for everyone, from the most recent gun owner to the experienced instructor. The chapters on techniques and skills include detailed line drawings that aid the reader's grasp of the principles referred to. It teaches common-sense principles, methods, and techniques distilled from thousands of hours of the author's schooling, which includes certification as a law-enforcement handgun, shotgun, patrol rifle, and tactical shooting instructor. A glossary is roofed for the reader who may be new to the world of firearms.



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) This is the reserve I purchase for my friend who asks for advice on self-defense, for my Mother when she bought her initial gun, for my shooting buddies. Stephen P. Wenger's revised and updated "Defensive Use of Firearms" is certainly worthwhile for the advanced student of self defense since it challenges assumptions. I have seen people practice and practice two to the chest, one to the head on stationary paper targets until they will have integrated this system into muscle memory. I'll tackle only one issue raised due to space: on Page 83 is this statement: "Absent special loads in conjunction with altered barrels, buckshot-loaded shotguns probably must not be used much beyond 7 back yards." Old-school shotgun users such as for example Rex Applegate in his Contemporary shotgun gurus speak of A-zones (little spread), B-zones (optimum spread) and C-zones (buckshot pattern puts too little hits on-target for effect) with no mention of projectile penetration.. Somebody with six feet of separation was secure even when my trigger jerk put pellets off-focus on. Stephen Wenger's doctrine appears to be limiting buckshot-loaded shotguns with their A-zone, the range of which buckshot spread can be protected with the hands. Whether you own a gun, or you intend to, or you know little or nothing at all about shooting, products, or mindset, or about ways to avoid trouble, if the only instruction you've ever received was from your gun instruction manual, or if you're a competent and practiced shooter, you will discover DUF to be an invaluable resource. If the emphasis is definitely never causing injury to the innocent, give up firearms because a couple of things can result in unintended injuries: over-penetration and lacking the intended focus on. Wenger highlights on Page 83 that humans are slimmer at the edges and also claims on page 15 that law enforcement miss their targets 80% of the time in real-world shoot-outs. Any projectile with plenty of penetration to puncture essential organs covered by "the solid parts" or by hard bone could have the penetration to punch through slim parts--like hands or arms or legs--emerging with more than enough staying energy to maim or kill an innocent.

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These shotgun experts mandate slug found in the C-area and the considerably end is reported to be 75 or 80 yards. Modern police doctrine is normally limiting buckshot to 18 yards--with instructor qualification tables firing buckshot only to 10 back yards and using shotgun slugs for targets at 15 yards and beyond. Five Stars As Described, Fast Shipping, I recommend OK, however, not end-all be-all This book was just that. Using low-penetration loads dangers being unable to STOP lethal drive attacks. Even though my trigger jerk moved the complete pattern off-target, I was still hitting 67% of my 100 yard targets in the eight ring--usually more than once per shot. One experiment included some magnum buckshot (12 pellets of #00) manufactured during January 1984 (shot November 2014) at a fourteen-foot wide focus on placed 100 back yards down-range from the standing position. See why We only picked 1 subject? It is a given that many gun owners, regardless of how highly motivated we might end up being, simply have neither enough time nor the money to practice as much as necessary. I was hoping for a far more thorough, thick book to learn from. 5 foot high by 14 foot long focus on and fired five shells, 60 projectiles in all. I documented 31 hits at 100 yards distance and had a calculated 88 foot pounds of remaining energy per pellet at that distance--remember, five shots on a target 2.5 feet tall by 14 feet wide. The objective of my unrealistic experiment was identifying that despite the fact that I was jerking the trigger from an unstable firing placement, my buckshot design was certainly about eight ft wide at 100 yards. I've heard many "experts" about them expound on how "if two to the chest" (often mistakenly known as "middle mass") doesn't do just fine, then "someone to the top" will suffice. DUF materials essential information on security, mental awareness and preparedness, where and how to aim, cover and concealment, shooting on the move, protected gun positions, and stage- and low-light shooting. Current US Army dogma is definitely that military #00 buckshot is effective to 50 meters (55 yards) although Army and Navy buckshot 'qualification' courses just shoot to 25 meters. That same November time I examined buckshot on B27E targets, counting those in the 8 band as "vital area hits" and the ones outside as misses--from 33 yards to 100 back yards. I utilized two different #4 buck loads, a #1 buck load, and four #00 buck loads at

each distance until I got exhausted my way to obtain targets and buckshot cartridges. I must say i hate that. I set out to see how significantly buckshot would stray. At 42 yards my efficiency was 100% of my targets had multiple 8-ring hits--dropping to 93% of my targets becoming hit inside the 8-ring at 50 back yards. As I plan to use a rifle--or use shotgun slugs as a substitute--when shooting beyond 25 back yards, the margin for range estimation error is adequate--but only patterning was tested. I was wanting to determine buckshot spread at that distance. excellent This book is well-written, informative, to-the-point, and fun to learn. It's well worthy of the price, containing clear, fundamental instruction on such topics as safe gun-handling, how exactly to aim, where you can aim, how many pictures to fire, how to use cover, etc. Better I happily reiterate everything I said in my own earlier Amazon review of the first edition of this reserve and add that the augmented section on close-quarters techniques makes this slim but potent quantity even better. Shooting individuals means risking innocent lives with skipped projectiles and with over-penetration..In an oft-repeated exemplory case of "art imitating life," the "two then one" mindset is modeled in many movies in which actors portray all types of firearms "operators.. Fine. It did provide a few useful guidelines that I'll never forget and if they save my life, then I guess it will be better than OK. I utilized a six-inch bulls-eye near the top of my 2. This book is only 97 pages including the glossary..The writer also maintains a fantastic website with constantly updated information, and sends out a painstakingly compiled daily email regarding firearms and legal issues to over 1,000 recipients, all at his own expense. Four Stars Common sense method of defensive firearms. be prepared! A good book to prepare the newbie to use firearms for personal and family protection. Do not get this book it is not worth money. Do not waste materials your money. I purchased the book because of a couple of testimonials that stated the reserve gave a couple of really good lessons. I only entirely on item in the whole book what was worthwhile reading. Many good ideas and strategies. Best, most concise and accessible info regarding the defensive usage of firearms. By Tag Terry (with Tina Terry)As the year 2011 comes to a close, I find it timely to examine Stephen Wenger's revised and updated 2010 edition of his valuable 2005 book, Defensive Use of Firearms, which I consider an essential addition to any kind of library, and which would also produce an excellent Christmas gift for anyone owning or considering acquiring a gun. Also those that already own the 2005 edition should find the 2010 one, as there have been numerous changes in hardware technology, and Mr. Wenger's uncompromising and impeccable efforts as researcher and scholar possess caused him to revise and include much valuable info in the up to date edition."Buy this publication for yourself and the ones you love. Crimes of violence will probably increase, and, to those that take self-defense seriously, Defensive Use of Firearms (DUF) can be, without doubt, the best publication I have ever read addressing civilian self-protection with a gun.If you are a competitive shooter, looking to raise your ratings in IPSC, IDPA, Three Gun or other tactical contests, this book isn't written for that purpose. However, it is indisputably a valuable source for anyone, including experienced, tactical, competitive shooters, who may find him or herself in a situation where the DUF is normally a life-or-death situation. Due to studying Mr. he regarded as Mr. Wenger's original Defensive Usage of Firearms, published in 2005, the ultimate "bible" on the DUF. Fortunately, most are lucky to haven't faced a predicament where either the screen or actual use of a firearm was essential for self-defense reasons. Wenger, and by few others.My dad, who passed away in December of 2010, have been a Marine Corps Get better at Sergeant, and was a lifelong gun expert; Wenger's original Defensive Usage of Firearms, my father subsequently changed his perspective on the DUF, in addition to on equipment and the way to handle it, shot placement, and other defensive problems.Over the years, now there have been amounts of books written about the DUF, many of which I have examine. As a variety Safety Officer, I have also seen the hardwired mindset concerning the DUF that discovers its roots in competitive shooting. There are a lot of assumptions in firearms make use of. My shotgun wears a 20-in . improved cylinder barrel, nothing at all fancy.We myself previously practices this technique. I've said a whole lot about what this book is, now

let me specify some items it isn't: - You can find no war stories. Fortunately, Stephen Wenger has spent decades educating himself, taking countless tactical defensive courses, and then teaching law enforcement and civilian personnel the effective distillation of what he provides learned. A precise and excellent article writer and teacher, the guy can present and explain in his publication essential, practical alternatives to the "two the other" mindset.." After watching these films, many, also experienced gun handlers, model this mindset in "lifestyle imitating art." It really is indeed ironic that lots of of these movies provide types of the failure of the mindset. Not surprisingly, it continues to be a primarily taught DUF tactic, since it has been for many years. The guideline for buckshot spread Wenger quoted on Web page 83 told me my 100 lawn spread will be eight feet four inches. As a Marine who had seen extensive combat, he often wondered why many vital areas of the DUF appeared to be addressed by Mr. The clearest, most practical and comprehensive guide ever I've read about twelve books purporting to greatly help the armed citizen become an effective gunfighter. All gun owners should try to learn, before faced with such emergency, that successful DUF necessitates technique and tactics necessary to anyone so challenged, and, since there is no replacement for hands-on teaching, Mr. Wenger's excellent work is an enormously practical textbook that to begin, or to problem, any gun owner's mindset. If you have learned from genuine professionals, or those self-proclaimed ones, who pontificate primarily from their armchairs, about striking your focus on in the upper body with two quick photos, and then watching to see what happens, and when you have an open mind, you will discover this book a very important resource for innovative, valid and practical applications of force in case of a DUF. The publication also details accessible and useful insights on how to stop an assault, or better still, how to prevent one in the first place. I was averaging a little more than two pellets on focus on for the reason that exercise, but regard the hits as marginal. This book is small, and DENSE -- simply filled with knowledge, overflowing. It's not just ballistics--there is the saying that every projectile fired includes a lawyer mounted on it. All shooters I personally know who have read DUF have altered their teaching regimens. It helps that DUF is definitely well written, illustrated, and clear to see. Certainly, at least one formal tactical firearms schooling facility uses the easily accessible text and illustrations in DUF as supply material in its classes. That speaks volumes for the worthiness of this publication.. Kudos to Amazon for picking up this title. Because the anti-self-defense folks are often reminding us when preaching against guns and all civilian DUF: "If it saves just one single life. claimed that buckshot was able to 100 yards.. The coming years will likely bring increasingly more civil (or, more accurately, uncivil) unrest. However, there are occasions that, despite all the best, great judgment, or both, some will see themselves in times where the DUF should be employed. None of these keep a candle to the title. In clear, straightforward language, the writer shares the lessons earned over a lifetime of learning gunfights and schooling hundreds, maybe thousands, of students. My copy offers highlighting or a note penciled on just about any page. It also addresses many legalities necessary to all gun owners. I would recommend a minimum of 3 readings merely to get your hands around all the details. There are numerous illustrations which help demonstrate particular stances or techniques. The illustrations are excellent -- and quite useful. Also they're properly in sync with the text (often I've seen illustrations that don't precisely reflect what the text says. My length shooting was for academic reasons, but demonstrated that buckshot is still lethal at the other end of the football field. Only Seven Yards Buckshot Range? I believe every holder of a concealed-carry permit should examine this reserve if nothing else. Sadly, this longstanding, hardwired, tactical mindset has assuredly caused police officers, and likely others, to become needlessly hurt or killed during DUF incidences. - There is absolutely no ego. Better & Of my half-dozen-or-so recently purchased books upon this subject, this one is by far the best. One favorable review that I examine elsewhere stated that this book might be too advanced for the newbie. I strongly disagree. Actually, I have never seen a reserve on practical self-defense shooting more appropriate for a newbie than this one, while it is at the same time a nice refresher for those with more

experience than a neophyte. Highest recommendation!



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