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STUDY GUIDE



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

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How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 – 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

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Questions

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1. The flick stun targets which parts?

A. Neck

B. Feet

C. Hands and Forearms

D. Torso

2. For the radial nerve motor point, what is the recommended strike direction?

A. Strike toward floor

B. Strike toward center of arm

C. Strike inward toward the ankle

D. Strike upward toward shoulder

3. Which tactic is recommended when disengaging from a subject?

A. Increase distance and wait for compliance

B. Use tactics on edge of the gap

C. Move in aggressively and seize control

D. Shout commands only

4. What is the correct order of levels of resistance from low to high?

A. Psychological intimidation; Verbal non-compliance; Passive resistance; Defensive resistance; Active aggression; Deadly force assault

B. Psychological intimidation; Verbal non-compliance; Defensive resistance; Passive resistance; Active aggression; Deadly force assault

C. Verbal non-compliance; Psychological intimidation; Passive resistance; Defensive resistance; Active aggression; Deadly force assault

D. Psychological intimidation; Verbal non-compliance; Passive resistance; Active aggression; Defensive resistance; Deadly force assault

5. Which statement reflects the intended outcome of the quick energy transfer to the ground ready position during a tactical fall?

A. So the suspect does not mount on top of you

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C. To keep the officer visible to others

D. To maximize force used against the suspect

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6. What is the body part where you conduct a straight punch?

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B. Head

C. Arm

D. Leg

7. Which pressure point is described as a strike meant to stun?

A. Brachial plexus tie-in motor point

B. Infra-orbital nerve pressure point

C. Mandibular angle pressure point

D. Hypoglossal pressure point

8. What are the three tactical considerations for handcuffing?

A. Handcuff type; lock types; release procedure

B. Personal safety; equipment readiness; location

C. Angle of stance; verbal commands; timing

D. Approach to contact; Control upon touch; Speed in application

9. What is the definition of survival stress?

A. A mental checklist used by officers

B. Deadly force threat that activates the sympathetic nervous system

C. A short-term memory issue

D. Anxiety due to loud noises

10. Which baton strike is considered the weakest among the three?

A. Forward Fluid Shock Wave Strike

B. Forward Cutting Strike

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Answers

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1. C
2. B
3. B
4. A
5. A
6. A
7. A
8. D
9. B
10. C

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Explanations

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1. The flick stun targets which parts?

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This item tests understanding of where a flick stun is aimed to achieve quick, temporary control without unnecessary risk. The hands and forearms are the target because they are central to grasping and manipulating an opponent. A quick stun to these areas disrupts grip and rapid motor responses, creating a brief window to disengage or restrain the person. Hitting the neck or torso involves much higher risk of serious injury and is not the intended use of this technique, while the feet aren't the primary leverage point for interrupting an aggressor's ability to grab or reach. So focusing on hands and forearms best accomplishes a safe, effective temporary incapacitation.

2. For the radial nerve motor point, what is the recommended strike direction?

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B. Strike toward center of arm

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D. Strike upward toward shoulder

Directing the strike toward the center of the arm targets where the radial nerve is closest to the skin, at the motor point. This alignment places the impact directly into the nerve fibers, maximizing energy transfer and producing a quick disruption of motor signaling. Striking toward the floor, toward the ankle, or toward the shoulder either misses the nerve's superficial path or shifts energy away from it, making the stimulation less reliable.

3. Which tactic is recommended when disengaging from a subject?

A. Increase distance and wait for compliance

B. Use tactics on edge of the gap

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Disengagement is about ending the encounter safely while preserving control and options. Positioning at the edge of the gap means you stay at a boundary where you can see and respond to movement but aren't pressing in or forcing interaction. This gives you the flexibility to verbalize, adjust your stance, or respond with a light touch if needed, without collapsing into close contact or escalating force. It also makes it harder for the subject to close in or slip away unnoticed, while still allowing you to back away smoothly if the situation allows. Relying on distance alone and waiting for compliance can leave you without a controlled exit if the subject resists or shifts away, and moving in aggressively or shouting commands only often increases tension and reduces your ability to adapt. So, using tactics on the edge of the gap supports a calmer, safer disengagement with options to escalate or de-escalate as the moment evolves.

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In PPCT, resistance is viewed as a progression from non-physical cues to actions that threaten safety, so the response should escalate in proportion to the level of risk. The lowest level is psychological intimidation, which includes cues meant to intimidate without any physical contact; next is verbal non-compliance, where commands are ignored or defied verbally. Then comes passive resistance, where the person resists without actively trying to harm anyone, followed by defensive resistance, which involves more purposeful movements to avoid control. After that, active aggression occurs when the person attempts to injure or overpower, and the highest level is deadly force assault, when lethal harm is being aimed at. This order fits the escalating risk and guides proportionate intervention. The other options mix these levels in non-sequential ways, disrupting the natural progression from non-physical to potentially lethal actions.

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The main idea is that quickly transferring energy into a ground-ready position during a tactical fall is about control and safety by preventing the suspect from gaining top position. Arriving in a stable, lower posture quickly reduces momentum and creates space, so the officer can maintain balance and avoid being mounted. This readiness enables immediate recovery actions to keep the suspect off-balance and to transition into a controlling position, rather than losing leverage or becoming vulnerable on the ground. Why this is the best outcome: when the officer lands and settles into a ready stance, the suspect cannot easily advance to mount or pin the officer, which would jeopardize safety for both. The focus is on neutralizing the threat through control and maneuverability, not on chasing speed, keeping the officer visible, or applying more force.

6. What is the body part where you conduct a straight punch?

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B. Head

C. Arm

D. Leg

A straight punch is delivered along the centerline to the torso. The torso is the best target because it's a large, stable area that lets you generate power efficiently with hip rotation and body weight, while quickly establishing contact to disrupt the attacker and create space to escape. Striking the head is riskier and not the standard control focus in this context, and aiming at limbs doesn't provide the same consistent, controllable impact as a torso hit.

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7. Which pressure point is described as a strike meant to stun?

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The idea being tested is that some pressure points are used to produce a rapid, temporary incapacitation by disrupting nerve signaling. The brachial plexus tie-in motor point is described as a strike intended to stun because it targets a motor nerve hub in the upper arm where the brachial plexus channels into the arm muscles. A focused strike at this point can cause an immediate, temporary loss of muscle control, creating a brief window for control or disengagement. The other points are associated more with analgesic or reflex responses rather than a quick motor disruption. Pressing the infra-orbital nerve point tends to elicit facial pain and protective reactions; the mandibular angle point affects jaw area and can influence bite or jaw control; the hypoglossal point targets tongue-related nerves and can induce reflexive responses. None are described as producing the same immediate stun effect as the brachial plexus tie-in motor point.

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The best answer describes three practical actions that guide how handcuffing is performed to stay safe and effective: approach to contact, control upon touch, and speed in application. Approach to contact means positioning yourself for safe, controlled engagement with the subject—choosing your stance, distance, and angle so you can create a stable line of control and reduce the chance of a counter-move. Control upon touch focuses on what happens once contact is made: you establish and maintain firm, continuous control of the subject's arms and hands to prevent grabbing or sudden movements, guiding them into the cuffs with balance and restraint. Speed in application emphasizes performing the cuffing sequence efficiently and decisively, minimizing exposure time while preserving control and safety. The other options reference equipment, generic safety factors, or broader skills, but they don't capture this specific three-part approach to effectively and safely handcuff a subject.

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Survival stress is the body's immediate fight-or-flight response to a deadly or potentially deadly threat, with the sympathetic nervous system kicking in to prepare for rapid action. This activation changes how you perceive, think, and move—often sharpening some senses while narrowing others and affecting timing and memory encoding. The defining idea is that a deadly force threat triggers this physiological cascade, not merely anxiety, a memory issue, or a generic reaction to loud noises. Understanding this helps explain why performance can change so dramatically under threat and why training focuses on maintaining control and decision speed within that stress response.

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Power in baton work comes from clean body mechanics and a direct line of energy to the target. The backhand cutting strike places the baton on the far side of your body and relies on a wrist- and forearm-heavy motion to reach the target. That awkward angle reduces momentum transfer, shortens effective reach, and slows setup, which can give an opponent time to react. In contrast, forward fluid shock wave and forward cutting strikes stay on your body's power line, letting the hips and shoulders drive the baton with greater speed and control. An overhead strike also uses large muscle groups and gravity to load and deliver force efficiently. Because the backhand cutting strike compromises alignment, momentum, and reliability, it ends up delivering less energy and being less dependable, making it the weakest option.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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