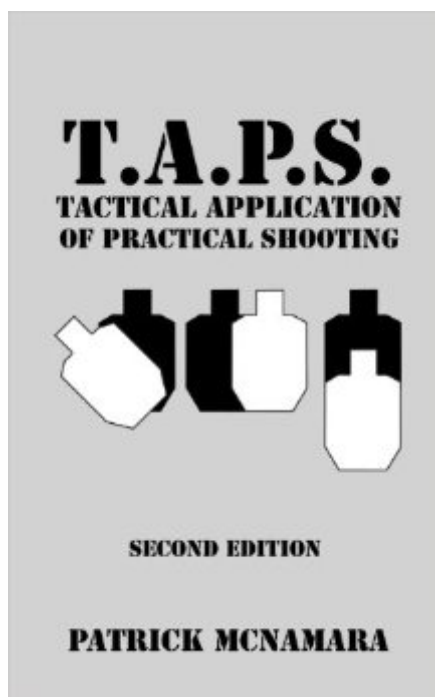


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# T.A.P.S. : Tactical Application Of Practical Shooting



## Synopsis

Recognize the void in your tactical training Train like you fight Maintain safety at all times Choose targets that force accountability Develop a series of standards Patrick McNamara spent twenty-two years in the United States Army in a myriad of special operations units. When he worked in the premier special missions unit, he became an impeccable marksman, shooting with accurate, lethal results and tactical effectiveness. McNamara has trained tactical applications of shooting to people of all levels of marksmanship, from varsity level soldiers, U.S. Secret Service agents and police officers who work the streets to civilians with little to no time behind the trigger. His military experience quickly taught him that there is more to tactical marksmanship than merely squeezing the trigger. Utilizing his years of experience, McNamara developed a training methodology that is safe, effective and combat relevant and encourages a continuous thought process. This methodology teaches how to maintain safety at all times and choose targets that force accountability, as well as provides courses covering several categories, including individual, collective, on line and standards. TAPS: Tactical Application of Practical Shooting: Recognize the void in your tactical training will increase the confidence and efficiency in your shooting by providing training tips and courses of fire to help you significantly improve your marksmanship. Utilize his tips and techniques and reap the benefits as you shoot.

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This book is divided into two major parts. The first third of the book contains advice on shooting and firearms training. The last two-thirds is filled with various drills and courses of fire for shooting

competitions. The first third was the most useful to me. As a firearms instructor I am always on the lookout for advice on how to train people to shoot, and to fight. Patrick McNamara clearly has a great deal of experience and knowledge about the subject. I do not agree with everything, but even when I disagreed his writing was generally though provoking. However, I feel the format of the book does a poor job presenting these nuggets of wisdom. This portion of the book is presented as a series of short 1-2 page articles, which don't flow together, or even seem to be organized in much of a logical order. A more integrated presentation that does a better job of putting these into context would have been much better. The drills presented in the second two-thirds of the book suffer similar problems. The individual drills are not always described well, and many of them could benefit from better diagrams or graphics showing how they are laid out. Instead, most of the graphics in this section are pictures of targets. Many of these targets do not have any relation to the drills they accompany. Others do relate the drills, but after the fourth or fifth time, I think we know what an IPSC target looks like. A better approach would have been to show each target once, at the beginning of the section (perhaps accompanied by some description of what Mr. McNamara feels a particular target does well) and use the remaining graphics space to better diagram the layout of the drills.

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