



# BLACK WOLF

## RULES FOR USE OF FORCE

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## Abstract

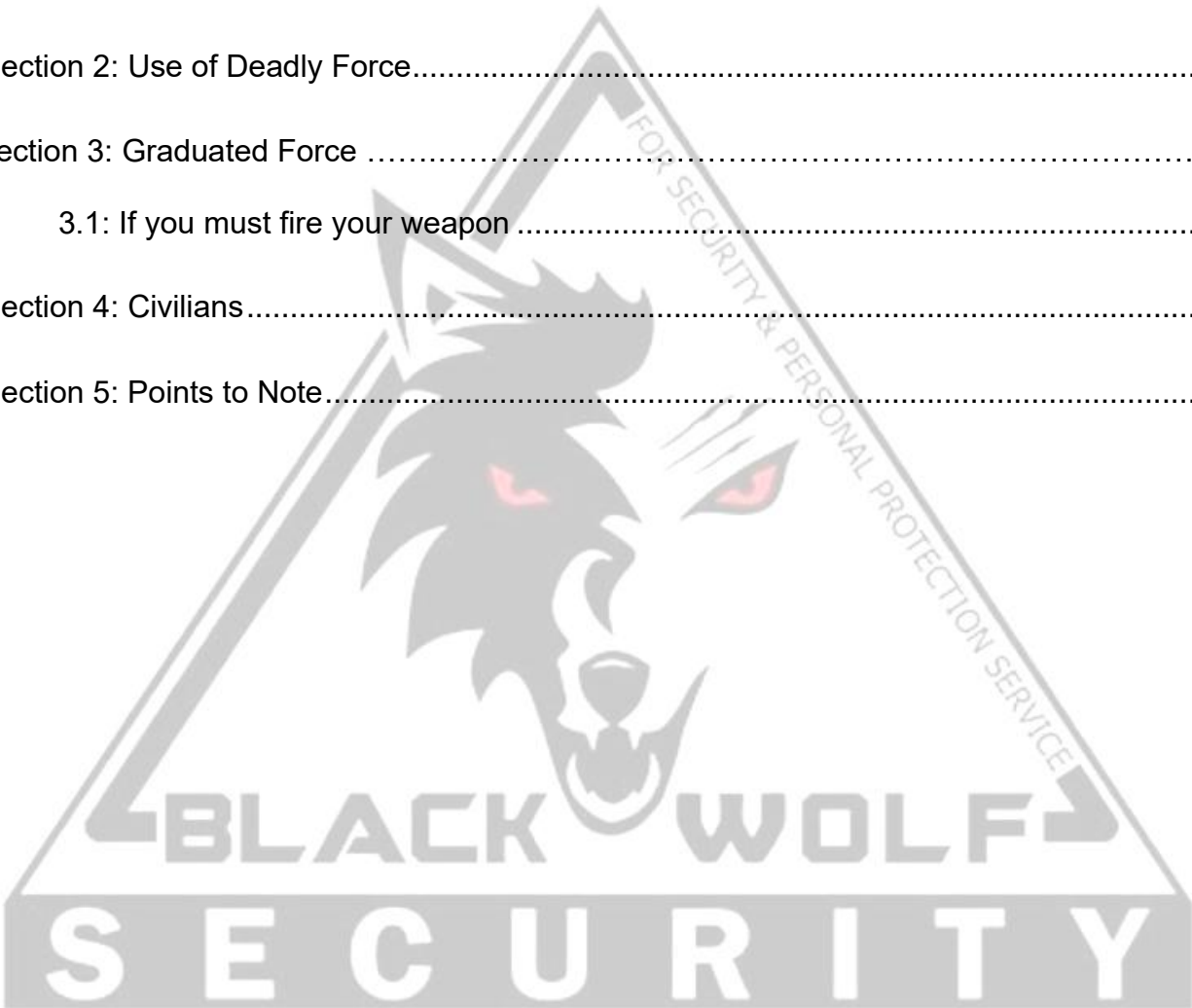
This document must be read only by all involved parties and implement its protocols & Procedures accordingly

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## Black Wolf Security

### Rules for Use of Force (RUF)

All personnel authorized to carry firearms in Iraq must abide to the Rules for the Use of Force (RUF).

This Procedure applies to all Black Wolf security personnel and all key responsible persons, compliance to the protocols is mandatory.

***NOTHING IN THESE RULES LIMITS YOUR INHERENT RIGHT TO TAKE ACTION NECESSARY TO DEFEND YOURSELF.***

The RUF Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) within Black Wolf Company is as follow:

#### Section 1: BWS Security Personnel

- **Security Contractors:** Are non-combatants, you may not engage in offensive operations with Local or Iraqi Security Forces.
- You will always retain your ability to exercise self-defense against hostile acts or demonstrated hostile intent
- Are to cooperate with local and Iraqi Security Forces.
- Do not avoid local and Iraqi Security Force Checkpoints.
- If authorized to carry weapons do not aim them at local or Iraqi Security Forces.

#### Section 2: Use of Deadly Force

***“Deadly Force is that force; which one reasonably believes will cause death or serious bodily harm.”***

You may use NECESSARY FORCE, up to and including Deadly Force against persons in the following circumstances:

- In self-defense
- In defense of facilities and persons specified in your contract
- To prevent life threatening offences against BWS Clients



## Section 3: Graduated Force

### **“You will only use the reasonable amount of force that is necessary”**

The following are some techniques you can use if their use does not unnecessarily endanger you or others:

- **SHOUT:** Verbal warnings to HALT in native language
  - I. **AWGAF TE-RA AR-MEE** = Stop or I will shoot (Iraqi Arabic)
  - II. **RA-WASTA YAN TA-QA AKAM** = Stop or I will shoot (Iraqi Kurdish)
  - III. **ERMY SE-LA-HACK** = Drop your weapon (Iraqi Arabic)
  - IV. **CHA-KET DA-NA** = Drop your weapon (Iraqi Kurdish)
- **SHOW:** Show your weapon and demonstrate intent of use
- **SHOOT:** Shoot to remove the threat only when necessary

#### **3.1: If you must fire your weapon:**

- Fire only Aimed Shots
- Fire with due regard for the safety of innocent bystanders
- Immediately report the incident and request assistance

## Section 4: Civilians

- Treat civilians with dignity and respect.
- Make every effort to avoid civilian casualties.
- You may stop, detain, search and disarm civilian persons if required for your safety or if specified in your contract.
- Civilians will be treated humanely.
- Detained civilians will be turned over to the local or Iraqi Security Forces as soon as possible.

## Section 5: Points to Note

- **Proportionality and Necessity:** Use of force must be proportionate to the threat faced, and only the minimum level of force required to neutralize the threat should be applied.
- **Legal Compliance:** All use of force must align with national laws.
- **Accountability and Transparency:** Clear procedures should be in place for reviewing incidents involving the use of force, ensuring accountability, and maintaining public trust.
- **Training and Professionalism:** Personnel must be properly trained in the appropriate use of force, emphasizing de-escalation techniques and ensuring they are equipped to handle situations without resorting to excessive force.