

SACRAMENTO COUNTY



SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

BASIC CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION and RECONSTRUCTION

POST Plan III 2310-31650

The Training Division of the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department is presenting a sixty (60) hour POST certified course on Basic Crime Scene Investigation and Reconstruction. The course is designed for sworn and non-sworn staff to improve their investigative skills, scene processing, and evidence collection and reconstruction. Topics include:

**Fundamentals of the Scene
Firearm Evidence and Documentation Strategies
Evidence recognition
Serology and Sexual Assault Evidence
Autopsy and Wound Morphology
Reconstruction Theory**

Location: Sacramento Sheriff's Department Training Facility
1000 River Walk Way
Carmichael, CA 95608

Date/Time: **Jan. 26-31, 2009** **Aug. 24-29, 2009** **Oct. 26-31, 2009** **Nov. 16-21, 2009**
1st day starts at 0800 Hrs

Prerequisite: Student must have successfully completed a POST/STC/ or C-POST certified academy and currently be employed by a law enforcement agency.

Fee: **\$ 575.00** **Make checks payable to SSDTTF**
Sacramento Sheriff's Department Training Trust Fund, 1000 River Walk Way Carmichael, CA 95608

Payment is due by the first day of class. This department's cancellation policy requires a two (2) week notice prior to the class start date. No-shows and those canceling with less than two weeks notice will be charged the full tuition fee if no replacement student is found. NOTE: Classes may be cancelled at any time if the minimum enrollment is not attained. You will be notified of any changes.

Bring to

Class: A basic Crime Scene Kit to include: measuring devices (20' and/or 100' tape, drawing equipment for sketching, fingerprint materials, packaging materials (bags, small containers), sealing tape, twine, clipboard, note taking materials, small scissors, knife and/or razor blade, ear protection for the range. Though digital and video cameras are provided, students wishing to use departmental issued cameras may bring them to class for practice.

Attire: **All personnel shall display department or agency identification.**
Students attending this course are expected to dress appropriately: Shirt with collar, jeans must be neat, clean, and in good condition. No shorts, thong type shoes (flip-flops), beach wear or sweat pants.

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Course Information:

Day One, Monday:

- Introduction
- Instructor evaluation of student Knowledge & skills
- Fundamentals of the scene
- The approach to the scene
- Documentation at the scene
- The scene as part of the field interview
- Briefing and critique

Day Two, Tuesday:

- Simplifying the measurement and recording process
- Collection techniques at the crime scene
- Photography and video taping scenes
- Roles and authority at the scene
- The coroner and medical personnel
- Scene assignments to exercise subject material

Day Three, Wednesday:

- Sexual assault and autopsy evidence
- Trace, and the concept of mapping
- Volatiles
- Bloodstains reconstruction
- Scene assignments to exercise
- Canvassing
- Briefings
- Latent fingerprints, including prints off subject material and the victim's flesh
- Casting of evidence

Day Four, Thursday:

- Vehicle shootings (range activity)
BRING EAR PROTECTION
- Glass, metal and bouncing bullets
- Integration of weapons handling and the crime scene processing
- Firearm evidence at the crime scene, including the best techniques for collection discharge patterns
- Reconstruction theory

Day Five, Friday:

- Field exercise
- Field conclusions regarding evidence
- Evidence recognition

Day Six, Saturday:

- Autopsy and wound morphology
- Homework exercise
- The exhumation
- Scene assignments
- Reconstruction theory
- How to reconstruct the crime scene
- Briefing, final exam, closure
- Examples of reconstruction
- Questioned documents

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