



Dear Law Enforcement Agency Executive,

During calendar year 2025, the Division of State Police, Alcohol Drug Testing Unit, will offer the following impaired driving enforcement related training courses:

1. **Alcotest 9510 Operator Course. (All Counties except Bergen, Essex and Camden)**

Please note that the Alcotest 9510 Conversion Course will be automatically scheduled for existing Alcotest 7110 Operators. The *Alcotest 9510 Operator Course* is a three-day class for sworn full-time officers (**one year service no longer required**) with no previous Alcotest training. In this course, officers will be instructed in the nomenclature and operation of the Alcotest 9510. Upon successful completion of this course, officers will receive a certificate of training and an Alcotest 9510 operator's card.

2. **Alcotest 7110 MKIII-C Operator Course. (ONLY Bergen, Essex and Camden)**

The *Alcotest 7110 MKIII-C Initial Operator Course* is a four-day class for officers who have a minimum of **one year sworn full time law enforcement experience** (academy time not included). In this course, officers will be instructed in the nomenclature and operation of the Alcotest 7110 MKIII-C. Upon successful completion of this course, officers will receive a certificate of training and an Alcotest 7110 MKIII-C operator's card.

3. **Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course.**

The four-day *Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course* (SFST) is recommended for officers that have demonstrated an interest in DWI enforcement. The officer(s) will also be instructed on how to properly administer and interpret the battery of Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. Additionally, the officer(s) will be instructed on the effects of alcohol on the human body, recognizing typical cues and clues of alcohol and drug impairment and how to describe that evidence clearly in written reports and verbal testimony.

This course includes training in the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus Test (HGN). Upon successful completion of this course, officers will receive a certificate of training.

4. *Drug Recognition Expert Course (DRE).*

The *Drug Recognition Expert Course* is requested by submitting a separate application from this mailing. The application can be found at [Microsoft Word - sp-041 DRE Application.docx \(nj.gov\)](#). The *Drug Recognition Expert Course* trains law enforcement officers to determine whether a subject is under the influence of drugs and to identify the category of drug(s) causing the impairment. This course is conducted in three phases. Phases one and two are classroom based and cover nine days of material. Phase three requires students to demonstrate their skills by conducting evaluations on test subjects. The student(s) must pass a comprehensive examination before receiving their certification. The entire course may take upwards of two months to complete.

5. *Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement Course (ARIDE).*

The *Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement Course* is a two-day class. In order to be eligible to attend the training, officers **MUST** have attended the NJSP *Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course*. ARIDE is intended to bridge the gap between the SFST and DRE programs, by providing officers with general knowledge related to drug impairment and by promoting the use of DRE's in States that have the DRE program. The ARIDE program stresses the importance of the signs and symptoms of the seven drug categories. This course will train law enforcement officers to observe, identify and articulate the signs of impairment related to drugs, alcohol or a combination of both.

6. *Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Refresher Course.*

The primary purpose of this half-day course is to improve the overall consistency of the administration of the SFST test battery by individual police officers. Officers can refresh their skills of recognizing and interpreting evidence of DWI, administering and interpreting the scientifically validated sobriety tests and describing the DWI evidence clearly and convincingly. In order to be eligible to attend the training, the officer(s) **MUST** have attended the NJSP *Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course*.

7. *Drug Impaired Driving Course (DID).*

The Drug Impaired Driving Course is a one-day course recommended for the officers that are having the majority of interactions with motorists and for officers that have not previously attended the DWI/SFST, ARIDE, and DRE courses. This training will improve the officer's ability to identify drug impaired drivers by familiarizing them with an overview of signs and symptoms of drug impairment.

This course also serves as an introduction to the standardized field sobriety tests.
Officers must be a full-time law enforcement officer.

The 2025 training application must be received no later than October 1, 2024. Applications received after October 1st will be relegated to “waiting list status” with no guarantee of course placement. You may forward the training application via e-mail to ADTU@NJSP.GOV

Course lists, training locations, dates and agency allotments will be posted on the New Jersey State Police website <https://www.nj.gov/njsp/division/investigations/alcohol-drug-testing.shtml> on or about November 30, 2024. **Instructions for viewing schedule information:** Listed under “Training” you will find “2025 North & South Training Schedule.” After clicking on this link, you will see “North” and “South” sections. In each section, there is a breakdown of all classes scheduled for 2025. Clicking on each class will open an Adobe PDF multi-page document listing the 2025 courses along with agency name, number of officers assigned, dates, times, and locations. “North” includes the following counties: Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union, and Warren. “South” includes Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Mercer, Monmouth, Ocean, and Salem.

Any questions regarding the 2025 training should be directed to the specific training coordinator of your agency’s region.

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Respectfully,



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