



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES and PUBLIC PROTECTION
Police Officer Standards and Training Council
Connecticut Police Academy

To: Chiefs of Police
Agency Training Officers
Resident Troopers
CSP Training Academy

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Subject: **DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing**

Tuition: **No Tuition**

COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Police Officer Standards and Training Council's Field Services Training Division, has scheduled a 3-day **"DWI Detection and Standardized"** (SFST) training class on **Wednesday, January 10, 2024, to Friday, January 12, 2024**. This class is scheduled to meet 0800-1600 hours daily, at the Connecticut Police Academy, 285 Preston Avenue, Meriden, 06450. **This class will satisfy the prerequisite for attendance in the ARIDE class.**

This course is intended to teach Law Enforcement Officers how to detect a DWI offender and to become trained and proficient in administering the National Highway Traffic Standards Administration (NHTSA) Standardized Field Sobriety Test. Students will also receive the latest training in accordance with 2018 NHTSA revised guidelines, including a one-day wet lab and an introduction to "Drugged Driving." After completion, the student will be able to:

- Explain DWI detection and general deterrence for impaired driving
- Define the DWI problem by referencing NHTSA Traffic Safety Facts and validation studies
- Define and describe impaired driving enforcement programs
- List the three phases of a DWI arrest
- Demonstrate proficiency in each of the three evaluations in the SFST battery
- List all the clues for each SFST battery
- Explain processing the arresting subject and preparation for trial
- Explain overcoming impaired driving defenses and legal issues

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All students must successfully complete all work assignments, including homework and all other components of this training program, within the time allowed. Students are expected to be punctual for all class meeting times and assignments.

The class is limited to twenty-five (25) attendees. Please complete a registration form for each attendee from the web and email it to William Tanner at william.tanner@ct.gov **no later than close of business, Friday, December 15, 2023**. If you have any questions, please contact the Field Services Training Division at 203-427-2625.

Students successfully completing this course will receive Review Training Credit in the following area(s):

- Area 610 Impaired Driving (21 hours)

There is no tuition for this course. Lunch may be purchased at local restaurants. The uniform Dress Code for POST In-Service training (General Notice 23-02) will be in effect. We ask that all training supervisors inform assigned personnel that they are required to dress accordingly.

Training Officers: Please be sure to include your department email address and the **email AND POST ID (Sworn personnel) of the student to be enrolled** on all applications to ensure prompt communications of all in-service training matters.

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