



DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS & TRAINING

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

From: William E. Tanner, III
Field Services Training Division

Date: February 20, 2025

Subject: **Cannabis Impairment Detection – Green Lab**

Tuition: **No Tuition**

Prerequisite: *The candidate shall have successfully completed a NHTSA/IACP approved Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFST) training and ARIDE training.*

COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Police Officer Standards and Training Council's Field Services Training Division, in partnership with the University of Connecticut (UCONN) and the Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Office, is offering a training seminar titled **Cannabis Impairment Detection**. This is a combined wet (alcohol) and green (cannabis) lab. The training session is scheduled for **Friday, April 11, 2025, from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.** This class will be held at the Connecticut Police Academy, 285 Preston Avenue, Meriden, 06450.

****NO FIREARMS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THIS TRAINING****

This seminar focuses on training personnel to become familiar with the impairment of motor vehicle operators who have used THC and/or alcohol prior to operation of a vehicle.

Areas to be covered:

1. Overview of Cannabis- Q&A with Dispensary Owner
 - a. What is Cannabis
 - b. Cannabis Culture
 - c. Dispensaries
 - d. Forms of Cannabis
2. Cannabis Legality
 - a. Legal History

- b. Current CT Laws
- 3. Cannabis, Toxicology and Testing
 - a. Basic Toxicology
 - b. Challenges in THC detection and lab testing
- 4. Wet/Green Lab Exercise
- 5. Q&A Session with Lab Participants

This class is limited to twenty (20) attendees. Please complete a registration form from the web and email it to William Tanner at william.tanner@ct.gov **no later than close of business on Friday, March 21, 2025**. 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 (6 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 of the student to be enrolled on all applications to ensure prompt communication of all in-service training matters.

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