**ILLINOIS DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT SCHOOL**

Application Form

Class dates: **August 31 – September 11, 2020 (Mon-Fri)** Application Due: **August 1, 2020**

Name (Last, First): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Hire date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Current Assignment: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone#: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The Drug Evaluation and Classification (DEC) Program has received national acclaim for its success in identifying the drug-impaired driver. Officers trained as drug recognition experts (DREs) are frequently called upon to differentiate between drug influence and medical and/or mental disorders and their training is an extremely valuable tool in combating the adverse impact of drug/alcohol-impaired driving in our communities.

The DRE School is extremely demanding. To receive certification as a DRE, three phases of training must be completed. The following summarizes each phase:

**The 2 DAY PRE-SCHOOL August 31 – September 1, 2020:** This phase includes Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), and introductory information on the seven categories. Students must pass a SFST proficiency test and achieve 80% on the pre-school exam. Any student unable to meet these standards will not be permitted to attend the DRE School.

**The 7 DAY DRE SCHOOL September 2-4 and September 7-11, 2020:** This phase includes detailed instruction regarding physiology, vital signs, eye examinations and their relationship to the seven drug categories. Students will learn how to conduct a 12-step evaluation on a drug impaired subject. There are five written quizzes and a final written exam. Students must achieve a minimum of 80% on the final exam in order to progress to the certification phase.

**CERTIFICATION PHASE: DATES TBD** After successfully completing the academic portion, students must complete the certification phase. It is the student’s responsibility to complete the certification requirements within **six months** following the DRE School. These requirements include conducting a minimum of 12 drug influence evaluations while under the supervision of a DRE instructor; identifying subjects under the influence of three of the seven drug categories; and attaining a 75% toxicological confirmation rate. In addition, the student must maintain a progress log, rolling log and submit a curriculum vitae (CV). Finally, the student must pass a comprehensive final knowledge examination, and obtain the written endorsement of two certified DRE Instructors.

DRE certification is valid for two years. In order to maintain certification, DREs must conduct a minimum of four evaluations every two years., submit an updated rolling log, and updated CV and attend eight hours of approved recertification training.

**To be considered for DRE training, the applicant *must* meet the following criteria:**

* Must have a minimum of two years of law enforcement service
* Must be off probation with your agency
* Must be working in patrol with your agency
* Must be SFST trained and proficient in its use
* Must have a reasonable background and experience level making DWI arrests
* Must submit a minimum of two actual DWI arrest reports (**Narrative Only**) for review

To assist in the selection of quality personnel for the DEC Program, please complete the following information. Attach additional pages if necessary.

Date of SFST training: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  8 hrs  16 hrs  24 hrs

Date of ARIDE training: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Other DUI or Drug Investigation related training:

Number of DUI arrests in the last 2 years: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Summarize your prior assignments related to, or of interest to, the DEC Program:

Summarize your formal education, work or practical experience, and training that may be related to, or may be of interest to, the DEC Program (EMT training, college, etc):

How do you expect DRE training to benefit you and your department:

Anything else who you think would assist in your selection as a DRE:

I affirm that I:

Have a minimum of two years of law enforcement service

Am not on probation with my agency

Am working in patrol with my agency

I have included in my application:

A minimum of two actual DUI arrest reports (Narrative Pages Only) for review.

I have read the listed requirements, have submitted the required information, and am applying for acceptance into the DRE Training Program.

Applicant Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Scan completed forms to** [**cara@letac.org**](mailto:cara@letac.org) **or return the completed forms by August 1, 2020 to:**

**Law Enforcement Training Advisory Commission**

**840 S. Spring Street, Suite B**

**Springfield, IL 62704**

**Information for supervisor and commanding officer:**

I have read the listed requirements and I recommend this officer for DRE training (required). I understand and agree to the following:

1. The two-day Drug Recognition Expert Pre-School is 16 hours of class time. The seven-day Drug Recognition Expert School is 56 hours of class time. Students are not allowed to miss any sessions absent emergency. Any missed sessions must be made up with an instructor prior to continuing. The course manager makes the final determinations on approving absences and making up missed sessions. Instructors make themselves available for voluntary study sessions outside regular scheduled class times. Some days may be longer than a standard 8-hour training day, particularly when wet labs are scheduled. There will be two wet labs the first week of the full 9-day training curricula.
2. **No travel expenses will be covered** for the two weeks absent extraordinary circumstances and prior approval by the SFST/DRE Program Coordinator.
3. Eleven days have been allocated for the DRE Candidate to obtain the required 12 field evaluations. He/She will be required to attend these events or work with a Certified DRE Instructor in order to obtain the required evaluations. These are typically two night events, with approximately 8 hours of evaluation each night. Where travel is required, the Illinois DRE program will not reimburse/cover travel expenses, including hotel, per diem, and mileage. **The police agency agrees to allow attendance at and make their DRE candidate available for said field evaluations.**
4. The DRE Candidate will be required to complete a Final Knowledge Exam before becoming fully certified. He/She may be required to take this exam at some time other than during a Field Evaluation Event. The Exam typically takes 3-6 hours to complete. Travel to a central location may be required. Where travel is required, the Illinois DRE program will not reimburse/cover travel expenses, including hotel, per diem and mileage. **The police agency agrees to allow attendance at and make their DRE candidate available for said final knowledge exam.**

Supervisor Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor’s signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Commanding Officer Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Commander Officer’s signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Commanding Officer Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Commanding Officer E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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