



Law Enforcement Training Advisory Commission

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Explosives Safety, Recognition, and Handling

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8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Meets the following mandated law enforcement training requirements: Law Updates

Course Length: 8 hours

Course Instructor: **Antony Lacey.** Graduated from Western Illinois University with a degree in Agriculture. Lacey began with Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) in 2014 and holds the position of Blasting Expert. Lacey is also an instructor of IDNR's Individual Explosive Licensing Program for the Central Region, an instructor of IDNR's Surface Aggregate Blasting License program, and an instructor of IDNR's Surface Coal Blasting Certification program. Lacey holds an Illinois Individual Explosives License and an Illinois Surface Aggregate Blaster License. In addition, Lacey is an operator of seismograph machines for recording detonation of explosives, does explosive identification / regulation for investigators, conducts investigations into explosive / blasting incidents, investigates anonymous explosive information provided to the IDNR, and does inspection of certified explosive storage magazines.

Course Description: This 8-hour class will provide law enforcement with an ability to understand and identify different types of explosives. The class will be administered by Department staff (Blasting Specialist or Blasting Expert) who are involved in the regulation of explosives in the Cook, Lake, McHenry, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Grundy, and Will County areas. Students will be given an opportunity to see and hold inert explosives, ask questions and discuss issues/scenarios with Department personnel. Students will also be provided with resources and contacts of individuals involved with the Department's regulation of explosives.

Topics to be discussed include

- Regulation of Illinois Explosives Act
- Explosives Storage
- Record Keeping
- Explosives Safety
- Fireworks-safety/enforcement (Division 1.3G vs. 1.4G)

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- Fireworks terms and definitions
- High Explosives terms and definitions
- Blasting/Initiating of Explosives
- Duties of Bomb Squad personnel

Course Goals: The goals of this course are to provide law enforcement with general knowledge of explosives recognition, safety, and handling. By providing this education, it is hoped that “close calls or near misses” by law enforcement will be averted as well as ensuring that those law enforcement individuals handling, storing or disposing of explosives materials are doing so legally under the Act. This course will also provide an opportunity to educate law enforcement personnel on the resources available to them through the Department when faced with explosives related issues.

Course Prerequisites: Only personnel who are currently employed by a unit of local government in a sworn or civilian capacity will be permitted to attend this program. Only the Chief, Sheriff, or Public Safety Director of the agency requesting this training, or his/her designated representative, may enroll the above noted personnel. Personnel will not be allowed to enroll themselves.

Non-Member Tuition: \$0.00. This course is provided free of charge by IDNR.

To Register: Email registration to register@letac.org. You may also fill out and submit our online registration form through the website at www.letac.org or call 217-726-7014 to register by phone (be sure to include all pertinent information). MTU #10 local member department officers will be given registration preference until seven days prior to the date of class. After that date, registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis, regardless of MTU status. We cannot accept registrations from individual officers. All registrations must go through your Chief, Sheriff, or department training office, even if you are attending class on your own time.

Cancellation: If a class must be canceled for any reason, every effort will be made to do so at least 2 weeks before the class is scheduled to begin. However, there are circumstances where last minute cancellation is out of our control. All officers who have been registered for training will be contacted at the email address given at registration, so please be sure to provide an email address which is checked often.