

Law Enforcement Training Advisory Commission

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NHTSA's

DWI Detection & Standardized Field Sobriety Testing

April 24-26, 2024

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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This course has been certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board for the following mandates: Civil Rights(6.00hrs), Const Use of LE Authority(6.00hrs), Legal Updates(8.00hrs) and Procedural Justice(4.00hrs),

<u>Instructor</u>: Illinois State Police Trooper Marc Baker. Trooper Baker began his Law Enforcement career in 1999 with the Palmyra Police Department. In 2000, he was promoted to the department's Chief of Police position, becoming the youngest Chief in Macoupin County history at 21 years old.

Baker attended the Radar/Lidar Instructor school at Northwestern University Center for Public Safety in 2000. He immediately became a staff member at the University and has taught numerous Radar/Lidar Instructor courses for the Center for Public Safety since. He left the Palmyra Police Department later that year and joined the Girard Police Department. Baker served as a Sergeant and Lieutenant for the Department before being promoted to the Chief of Police position in 2002. Baker left the Girard Police Department and worked briefly as a Macoupin County Deputy before being hired by the Illinois State Police in 2006.

Upon completion of the ISP Academy, Baker worked Patrol for District 14 Macomb for 7 years. Baker became a state certified Crash Reconstruction Officer while working patrol and handled multiply fatal crashes for the district. During his time in Macomb, Baker was twice nominated as the District's Officer of the Year and was nominated as the Quincy Exchange Officer of the Year. Baker received the Mothers Against Drunk Driving "MADD" Hero Award twice during his patrol days for high DUI arrest activity.

Baker left patrol in June 2013 and took a position as an instructor at the ISP Academy. During his time at the Academy, Baker was the statewide Juvenile Coordinator and statewide Illinois Vehicle Code/ Criminal Law Coordinator. Baker specializes in teaching Radar/Lidar, Illinois Vehicle Code, Criminal Law, Traffic Crash Investigation and Field Sobriety to name a few. Baker is currently assigned to the ISP Executive Protection Unit.



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<u>Course Description</u>: This is a course certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. The course requires (24) hours of instruction which includes training in legal aspects, court decisions surrounding pre-arrest screening, techniques used to conduct field sobriety testing, and practical application of the techniques. Topics covered will include Illinois Vehicle Code laws, Court decisions regarding Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus, and detection of drinking drivers. The goals of this course are to train students in the proper techniques used to conduct field sobriety testing, and to train the students to recognize and explain the clues exhibited by impaired drivers.

The testing of individuals suspected of violating the law involving operation of a vehicle while under the influence of drugs and alcohol has been standardized by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). This course is an end result of years of studies and practical testing involving scientists and police officers throughout the country. The perfecting of techniques used in this pre-arrest screening is ongoing, and officers should be updated annually.

Non-Member Tuition: There is no tuition for this class, as it is covered under a grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation.

<u>To Register</u>: Email registration to <u>register@letac.org</u>. You may also fill out and submit our online registration form through the website at <u>www.letac.org</u> or call 217-726-7014 to register by phone. 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.

<u>Cancellation</u>: 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.