



Oklahoma Impaired Driving Investigator

ENDUI Impaired Driving Training Initiative

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In July 2015, the GIDPAC Training Workgroup began developing a tiered ENDUI Impaired Driving Investigator Training program that include both NHTSA certification courses and locally developed course to assist in equipping officers with information to maximize impaired driving enforcement efforts. Experts in our State have concluded that it's not enough to know and utilize Standard Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), ARIDE or DRE. Officers must also be able to articulate what they see, hear, and smell in their reports as well as be able to testify to the procedures and protocols they used to obtain a sample, whether it is oral fluids, breath or blood. Drug impaired drivers present differently than alcohol impaired drivers. The factors coming together triggered the inception of the tiered ENDUI Impaired Driving Investigator Training program.

Overview of the Training Program

1. For whom is the training intended?

This training Program is intended for all police officers who are committed to DUI and DUI/D enforcement efforts. All officers already have some knowledge and skills when leaving the basic law enforcement academy. The officer is employed by a department who has taken the time and effort to provide command and logistics support needed for DUI and DUI/D efforts to function at maximum effectiveness.

The following requisites and characteristics of the officer whom this training is intended;

a. Student Requisites

To be considered a qualified candidate as an Impaired Driving Investigator, the officer must be a law enforcement officer of a public criminal justice agency or an institution providing law enforcement training, and must:

Have completed a law enforcement basic academy

Completed the application process for entry into the program

Have the desire and commitment to deter impaired driving.

b. Departmental Prerequisites

The interested law enforcement agency must;

Have an active DUI and DUI/D enforcement program

Be pro-active in the commitment to train officers

Willingness to facilitate training and as officers progress, provide instructor support to train others.

Willingness to allow the candidates to devote time to the DUI and DUI/D function to develop and maintain proficiency.

2. What is the Purpose of the Impaired Driving Investigator initiative?

The ultimate goal is to help prevent crashes, deaths and injuries by the enforcement of DUI and DUI/D driving violations. According to Oklahoma Highway Safety Office (OHSO) Fact Sheet FS2015, in 2015 the preliminary numbers showed 188 fatalities due to alcohol. This is an increase of 9.3% since 2014. This crime is 100% preventable with training, education and motivation.

3. What will the officer get out of this initiative?

The courses presented in the trainings are designed to better prepare the officer in the detection, arrest and prosecution of the DUI and DUI/D driver.

The training will consist of current and future courseware taught by fellow Officers. The Impaired Driving Investigator program is set up in four tiers.

Tier 1 – Impaired Driving Investigator 1: Would provide the arresting officer with the courses needed to recognize an impaired driver and use the equipment, knowledge and skills available to make the arrest.

Tier 2– Impaired Driving Investigator 2: Would provide the follow-up courses to handle the arrests after the arrest was made or provide greater recognition of impairment through the use of ARIDE.

Tier 3 – Dubowski-Essary Course/Conference – This Conference is held yearly at a location announced prior to the event. The Conference will provide basic scientific understanding of drug and alcohol testing for law enforcement officers and prosecutors. This course will also review legal and administrative challenges involved in the detection, arrest and prosecution of impaired driving cases. And finally the course will provide detailed hands on experience with field sobriety testing, evidential breath testing, evidential blood testing, ignition interlocks, and screening devices for the law enforcement officers and prosecutors.

Tier 4– Impaired Driving Investigator 4: Would prepare the investigator to serve as a subject matter expert on Impaired Driving and assist the agency and prosecutors in preparing for hearings and trials.

Each Tier will have mandatory courses. Each Tier also has a requirement of 16 hours of elective courses.

Tier 1 – Impaired Driving Investigator 1

NHTSA Basic DWI Detection & Standard Field Sobriety Testing

Basic Report Writing

Breath Alcohol Operator Course (Intoxilyzer 8000)

Use of Preliminary Screening devices

Cops In Court (Courtroom Testimony)

The Tier 1 electives can be taken from the pool of electives shown in this document.

The officer will complete five DUI or DUI-D arrests/case files.

Tier 2– Impaired Driving Investigator 2

Advanced Roadside Impaired Driver Enforcement (ARIDE) on-line version or the in person version of ARIDE if D.R.E. class is your goal. To attend D.R.E. School the in person version must be completed.

Identification of Emerging Drug Trends

Preparing the Impaired Driving Case File

Conducting Sobriety Checkpoints/Saturation Patrols

NHTSA – Ignition Interlock (Online)

Understanding Forensic Toxicology/Forensic Lab Capabilities

The officer will complete five DUI or DUI-D arrests.

Tier 3– Impaired Driving Investigator 3 is the Dubowski – Essary Course/Conference

The Dubowski – Essary Course/Conference is a two to three day set of seminars and presentations to better the impaired driving practitioner in many different aspects of working an impaired driving case.

The officer will complete five DUI or DUI-D arrests/case files.

Tier 4– Impaired Driving Investigator 4

Drug Recognition Expert (D.R.E.) School

Or

Borkenstein Alcohol or Drug Course (40 hours)

Master's Degree in Criminal Justice or Forensic Toxicology

Elective Courses

This is a list of possible elective courses. The list will periodically be updated as new courses become available and other courses become obsolete.

To Much To Lose (2M2L)
Oklahoma Vehicle Law Refresher
Drugs That Impair Drivers
Medical Conditions that Mimic Impairment
Drugs and the Brain
Alcohol Laws and Compliance
A Solution That Kills/Addiction & Drugs of Choice
Ethical Issues of Law Enforcement
SFST Instructor (24 hours)
When Do I Need A Warrant
Report Writing for the Impaired Driving Case
Impaired Driving Evidence Gathering
Introduction to Crash Reconstruction
Using Law Enforcement Video during Impaired Driving Investigations
NARCON Course
Proper Seizure of Digital Devices
Synthetic Drugs
Collision Reconstruction Basic or Collision Reconstruction Advanced
Child Passenger Safety Class

4. What activities take place during the training?

The training will be formal presentations, or lectures, on-line training and already published training that is being conducted throughout the State. These presentations are supplemented by reading materials contained in the Participants manuals given at individual trainings.

5. How long does the training take?

Each tier is self-paced and no time limit is implied. Training such as DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) is updated on a regular basis and should be updated every three years if not an Instructor and every two years if an Instructor.

6. Procedures for the Application for the Award of each Impaired Driving Investigator Tiers

The Impaired Driving Investigator Tiers (IDI Tiers) are created so that Officers are awarded with the achievement as all requisites are complete. The Officer is responsible for ensuring the proper paperwork is sent to the Impaired Driving Training Administrator located at the Oklahoma Board of Tests for Alcohol and Drug Influence.

The Officer will complete the application showing intentions of becoming an Impaired Driving Investigator.

The Officer will complete the classes for each tier. The hours from classes do not carry over into another tier.

At the completion of the classes, the Officer ensures the class is properly documented in their CLEET training transcript.

When all classes for the tier are complete, the Officer prints a copy of the CLEET training transcript and fills out an IDI Tier completion form and mails, emails or faxes the documents to the Oklahoma Board of Tests for Alcohol and Drug Influence (BOT) for verification.

7. Dubowski – Essary Course/Conference

The Dubowski – Essary Course is held once a year. The course will provide an intermediate and advanced scientific understanding of drug and alcohol testing for law enforcement. This course will also provide a comprehensive review of the legal and administrative challenges in the detection, arrest and prosecution of impaired driving cases along with leadership skills and training. The course will be put together on a yearly basis by the Impaired Driving Training Workgroup with emphasis on providing lectures and presentations by those leading in the area of Leadership, Forensics and Impaired Driving.

8. On-line courses:

Online courses will be utilized when possible. Many Impaired Driving online courses may be found on the Council of Law Enforcement, Education and Training (CLEET) website. The on-line ARIDE course is found on the Department of Transportation website, <https://tsi-dot.csod.com>. The new user for the online ARIDE class would have to create credentials. After the credentials are created, the user would log in and search for "ARIDE". When the search is finished, select the ARIDE icon. Please remember, the online ARIDE class is good for credit towards Impaired Driving Investigator 2, but will not be acceptable as a prerequisite for the Drug Recognition Expert Class. If the officer plans on attending Drug Recognition Expert class the in person 16 hour ARIDE class is required.

A DWI Detection and Standardization Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) Refresher must be completed before attempting to start the online ARIDE. The first section of the online ARIDE will ask for the instructor's name and email address of the person whom taught the SFST Refresher course.

Procedures for Enrolling and completing Impaired Driving Investigator Tiers

1. To enroll:

Fill out the enrollment form and submit it to the Impaired Driving Administrator through the Oklahoma Board of Tests for Alcohol and Drug Influence. The email address will be located on the enrollment form. Submit a CLEET transcript with your enrollment form.

The DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) will be current. The current DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) refresher course should be taken prior to enrolling.

2. To apply for Tier advancement:

As you finish the requirements for a Tier, complete the Application for Impaired Driving Investigator form, attach a CLEET transcript and submit it to the Impaired Driving Administrator through the Oklahoma Board of Tests for Alcohol and Drug Influence.

The CLEET transcript should reflect all classes that are claimed on the Tier Advancement form. The Officer should mark the classes that are claimed. This will verify that all classes were completed.

Conclusion

The GIDPAC Training Workgroup began developing the tiered ENDUI Impaired Driving Investigator Training initiative that includes both NHTSA certification and locally developed courses. This is to assist in equipping officers with information to maximize impaired driving enforcement efforts. The program helps ensure the continued training of all officers by the use of highly trained peers and instructors from throughout the State.

The awarding of pins and certificates are to show the recognition deserved by all participating Oklahoma Officers, Deputies and Troopers.