

# Michigan State Police Training Academy



## Training Announcement

### Basic Digital Photography for the Evidence Technician or Accident Investigator

This class is an extensive hands-on two-day course designed for all law enforcement officers that use a Single Lens Reflex (SLR) digital camera to document evidence at crime and accident scenes that may lead to the prosecution and conviction of offenders.

This course will prepare an evidence technician or accident scene investigator to 1) maximize the use of their digital camera to best document evidence under a variety of circumstances and conditions, and 2) establish a system to protect digital image integrity and successfully manage potential courtroom challenges. Upon conclusion of this class, participants will have learned:

- Basic photography principles (review)
- Significance of digital imaging verses film to law enforcement
- Familiarization with their equipment, maximizing camera features, use of incident identification cards and shooting logs
- How to ensure images are in focus and are properly exposed; capture images with limited lighting and under difficult conditions; use multiple light sources; paint with light, establishing and following a digital workflow using RAW images
- Introduction to image development using Lightroom and Photoshop, and much more

**EQUIPMENT:** Students will be required to bring the following items to class:

- Department digital SLR camera and camera manual
- Tripod, flash, remote flash cord, shutter cable release, and any other accessories
- Any current policies for photography or digital image integrity
- Sample images taken that you would like to discuss or see improved (optional)

**DATES:**

April 26 & 27, 2011

May 3 & 4, 2011

June 1 & 2, 2011

Day 1: 1 p.m. - 10 p.m.; Day 2: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

All training sessions are at the Michigan State Police Training Academy  
7426 N. Canal Road, Lansing, Michigan 48913

**COST:**

Cost for this class is \$300 per student. Class size is limited to 14 per class. Attendance is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please mail payment to Eric Johnson, Forensic Photography Services, 11400 Blue Spruce Drive, Fowler, Michigan 48835. 302 funds are available for MSP enlisted. MCOLES approved.

Registration must be completed [online](#). Enter course code "1025271" in the Search by Course ID box, then click the course link. On the Registration tab, click Go to Step 2 of Registration. You will be redirected to the MSP Web site to enter additional information. For more information, contact [Mr. Eric Johnson](#) at (517) 282-1828.