

Basic Training Module Specifications

<u>Functional Area:</u>	I. Investigation
<u>Subject Area:</u>	G. Special Investigation
<u>Module Title:</u>	3. NARCOTICS, DANGEROUS DRUGS AND WEAPONS
<u>Hours:</u>	Not less than 3 hours

Note to Instructor:

Review relevant provisions of Controlled Substances Act as taught in Criminal Law.

Module Objectives:

- I.G.3.1. Demonstrate a Working Knowledge of the Controlled Substances Provisions of the Public Health Code.
- a. Identifies the provisions related to controlled substances in the Public Health Code, relevant to the functioning of a working patrol officer. (MCL 333.7101 et seq.; MSA 14.15 (7101) et seq.)
- I.G.3.2. Investigate Violations of the Controlled Substances Provisions of the Public Health Code Commonly Encountered by the Working Patrol Officer.
- a. Recognizes commonly abused drugs.
  - b. Recognizes the behavior commonly associated with drug abusers and traffickers.
  - c. Recognizes evidence of a violation of the Act when it is seen (e.g., recognizes a "street deal" in progress).
  - d. Collects evidence of a violation including collecting physical evidence; identifying and/or interviewing witnesses; and identifying suspects.
  - e. Determines if probable cause exists to affect an arrest or conduct a search.
  - f. Relates relevant information regarding violations of the Act to investigators if follow-up is warranted.

I.G.3.3 Demonstrates an Understanding of Applicability of Federal Firearms Laws to State and Local Firearms Enforcement.

- a. Describes the importance of state and local involvement in federal firearms enforcement as a means to:
  - (1) reduce the supply of illegal weapons to local users;
  - (2) enhance the ability to identify the source of illegal weapons;
  - (3) reduce the ability of criminals to commit other acts of violence; and
  - (4) enhance the public's safety.
  
- b. Identifies investigative resources in firearms cases as:
  - (1) local laws and ordinances;
  - (2) federal firearms laws;
  - (3) local ATF field offices;
  - (4) criminal patterns and criminal associates;
  - (5) local patterns of weapons' trafficking.
  
- c. Describes the benefits of working with federal agencies in firearms investigations as:
  - (1) access to federal prosecution and federal court;
  - (2) nationwide database searches;
  - (3) the ability to follow leads through interstate jurisdictions;
  - (4) access to additional human resources for investigations;
  - (5) access to federal intelligence data; and
  - (6) the use of laboratory services.
  
- d. Describes procedures for tracking gun ownership when firearms are seized during the course of an investigation as:
  - (1) conducting an NCIC search to see if the gun was stolen;
  - (2) checking databases of nearby states;
  - (3) talking to witnesses, victims, dealers, and purchasers; and
  - (4) initiating a National Tracing Center (NTC) search:
    - (a) complete an ATF trace request form (ATF form #3312.1);
    - (b) fax the form to the NTC at 1-800-578-7223; or
    - (c) use the trace request screen on NLETS.

**Module History**

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