## **Basic Training Module Specifications**

Functional Area:	V	Traffic
Subject Area:	D	Operating While Intoxicated
Module Title:	1	STANDARD FIELD SOBRIETY TESTING
Hours:	Not les	s than 24 hours

## Note to Instructor:

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), in collaboration with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), developed a national 24-hour training program entitled *DWI Detection and Standard Field Sobriety Testing* (SFST). In June 2003, the International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training (IADLEST) adopted the NHTSA/IACP SFST program as its national standard. Their research led to the development of valid and reliable field sobriety testing procedures that are used across the nation. The SFST battery includes Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus, Walk and Turn, and One Leg Stand. The test battery supports the officer's general observation of the driver's impairment.

Effective April 9, 2015 MCL 257.43a replaced "preliminary roadside analysis" with "preliminary chemical breath analysis." It also deletes reference to a field sobriety test.

This module must be taught by an instructor who is certified to teach the federal standard field sobriety testing course.

## Module Objectives:

- V.D.1.1. Demonstrate the Ability to Administer the IACP/NHSTA Standard Field Sobriety Testing Battery in the Approved Sequence and Appropriately Document and Interpret the Results.
  - a. Completes all classroom portions of the approved SFST curriculum, including practice sessions, which include:
    - (1) an introduction and overview;
    - (2) detection and general deterrence;
    - (3) the legal environment (Michigan offenses, OWI, implied consent, etc.);
    - (4) detection, note taking, and court testimony;
    - (5) vehicle in motion (observational cues);
    - (6) personal contact;
    - (7) pre-arrest screening, including preliminary chemical breath analysis;
    - (8) concepts and principles of SFST;
    - (9) test battery demonstrations;
    - (10) the administration of the three tests;
    - (11) suspect processing and preparation for trial; and

V.D.1.1. Demonstrate the Ability to Administer the IACP/NHSTA Standard Field Sobriety Testing Battery in the Approved Sequence and Appropriately Document and Interpret the Results (continued).

(12) report writing and preparation for court.

- V.D.1.1. Demonstrate the Ability to Administer the IACP/NHSTA Standard Field Sobriety Testing Battery in the Approved Sequence and Appropriately Document and Interpret the Results (continued).
  - b. Satisfactorily completes the written examination with a score of not less than 80%, within two attempts, as administered by an SFST instructor.
  - c. Demonstrates the ability to administer SFST in a practical exercise.

## **Module History**

Implemented	1/10
Revised	4/15
Reviewed	9/21
Reviewed	11/23