



Drug Evaluation and Classification Program Arkansas Drug Recognition Expert Instructor

Applicant Summary

Name: _____ Rank: _____

Agency: _____ DRE #: _____

Agency Address: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

The Arkansas Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) program has received national acclaim for its success in identifying the drug-impaired driver. DREs are frequently called upon to differentiate between drug influence and medical and/or mental disorders. The certified DRE is an extremely valuable tool for combating the adverse impact of drug and alcohol impaired driving.

The DRE Instructor is an important part of the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program. DRE Instructors are responsible for teaching in DRE Schools as well as observing, evaluating and verifying the performance of candidate DREs and witnessing evaluations for certified DRE Officers as required for DRE recertification. In addition, certified instructors must provide periodic update training to DREs already certified. **This will include officers from other departments.**

Because of the highly technical nature of the functions performed by the drug recognition expert, only persons experienced in the techniques of drug evaluation should instruct in the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program. In general, these instructors will be certified drug recognition experts with experience in performing drug evaluations and in providing testimony in court in the area of drug recognition. Dedicated, qualified instructors are critical to the continued success of the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program.

To be considered for DRE Instructor training, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a current Drug Recognition Expert in good standing;
- Must have recertified as a Drug Recognition Expert a minimum of one time
- Must be approved by the agency DRE coordinator, the immediate supervisor, and the head of the agency
- Must have completed Instructor Development
- Must have completed: SFST Instructor Development
- Must have completed ARIDE (Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement) Course
- Must provide documentation of instruction for a minimum of four Standardized Field Sobriety Testing classes.
- Must have a reasonable background and experience level in the DRE program by providing documentation for a minimum of 25 DRE Evaluations logged (in addition to initial DRE certification evaluations.) and have submitted a copy of the candidates rolling log

- Must have a toxicology confirmation rate that meets or exceeds the standards established by the IACP for DRE certification
- Provide letters of recommendation from your chief/sheriff and at least one current DRE instructor in good standing

To assist in the selection of quality personnel for the Arkansas DRE Instructor training, please complete the following information:

DRE training: (Date and Location): _____

DRE certification: (Date): _____

General Instructor certification: (Date): _____

SFST Instructor Certification: (Date): _____

ARIDE Completion: (Date): _____

Number of Drug Influence Evaluations in the last two years: _____

Summarize your teaching experience:

How do you expect DRE Instructor training will benefit you and your department?

If there is anything else you think the State DRE Coordinator should know about you, or your interest in the DRE Instructor program, use this space:

DRE Instructors who recommend you for DRE Instructor training: (note-they will be contacted)

I have read the requirements, understand the responsibilities of this training, and agree to participate in the DRE Instructor program.

Applicant: _____

I have read the requirements of this training and recommend this candidate for the DRE Instructor Program.

Immediate Supervisor: _____

Agency DRE Coordinator (If Applicable): _____

Chief /Sheriff: _____

Reviewed by DRE State Coordinator and Determination:
