



Dear Law Enforcement Agency Executive,

During the year 2026 calendar, the Division of State Police, Alcohol Drug Testing Unit, will offer the following impaired driving enforcement related training courses:

Students MUST be a full-time law enforcement officer to attend all courses. Class I and Class II officers are NOT permitted to attend training.

1. Alcotest 9510 Operator Course.

The *Alcotest 9510 Operator Course* is a three-day course where officers will be instructed in the nomenclature and operation of the Alcotest 9510.

➤ One year of full-time service is no longer required.

Please note that the Alcotest 9510 Recertification Course will be automatically scheduled for the existing Alcotest 9510 Operators.

2. Alcotest 9510 Conversion Course.

The four-hour Alcotest 9510 Conversion Course will convert the current Alcotest 7110 operators that were trained in 2024 & 2025. 7110 Operators that are expired must take the Alcotest 9510 Operator Course listed above. 1-year grace period does not apply.

3. Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course.

The four-day *Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course* (DWI/SFST). Officers will also be instructed on how to properly administer and interpret the battery of Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. Additionally, the officers will be instructed on the effects of alcohol on the human body, recognizing typical cues and clues of alcohol and drug impairment and how to describe that evidence clearly in written reports and verbal testimony.

4. Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Refresher Course.

This half-day course is to improve the overall consistency of the administration of the SFST test battery by individual police officers. Officers can refresh their skills of recognizing and interpreting evidence of DWI. *To be eligible to attend the training, the officer(s) **MUST** have attended the NJSP Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course.*

5. **Drug Recognition Expert Course (DRE).**

The *Drug Recognition Expert Course* is requested by submitting a separate application from this mailing. The application can be found at [Microsoft Word - sp-041 DRE Application.docx](#). The DRE Course trains officers to determine whether a subject is under the influence of drugs and to identify the category of drug(s) causing the impairment. This course is conducted in three phases. Phases one (2 Days) and two (7 Days) are classroom based. Phase three requires students to conduct evaluations on test subjects.

6. **Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement Course (ARIDE).**

The *Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement Course* is a two-day class. ARIDE bridges the gap between the SFST and DRE programs. Officers will be trained officers to observe, identify and articulate the signs of drug impairment. *To be eligible to attend the training, officers **MUST** have attended the NJSP Driving While Intoxicated/Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course.*

7. **Drug Impaired Driving Course (DID).**

The Drug Impaired Driving Course is a one-day course for officers that have **NOT** previously attended the DWI/SFST, ARIDE, and DRE courses. This course is an introduction to the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests which will improve the officer's ability to identify drug impaired drivers by familiarizing them with an overview of signs and symptoms of drug impairment.

The 2026 training application must be received no later than October 1, 2025. Applications received after October 1st will be relegated to "waiting list status" with no guarantee of course placement. Forward the training application via e-mail to ADTU@NJSP.GOV

Course lists, training locations, dates and agency allotments will be posted on the New Jersey State Police website <https://www.nj.gov/njsp/division/investigations/alcohol-drug-testing.shtml> on or about November 21, 2025.

***Agencies may appear on the schedules multiple times and at multiple locations.**

***Be sure to check all pages for allotments. Use the "Control F" feature to search for your agency.**

Questions regarding the 2026 training should be directed to the specific training coordinator listed at the bottom of the schedule.

Respectfully,

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