Academy of K9 Dectection (AKD)

Compendium of Courses

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Taking the Risk out of Risk

Contact Information

AKD would be pleased to discuss your training with you. Our training staff can talk through initial points in order to ascertain the correct information to enable you to select the best course of action and provide training based on your exacting requirements.

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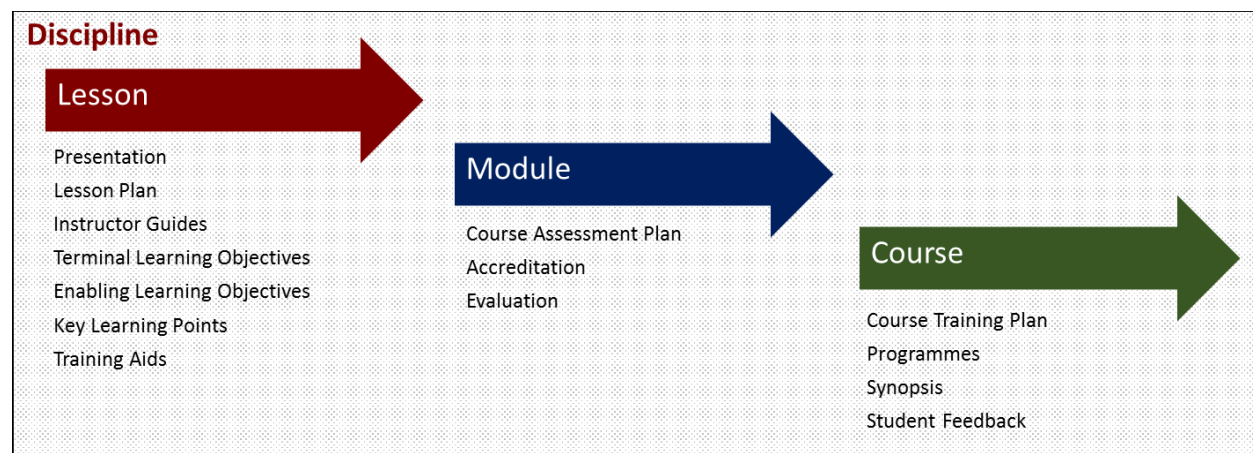
Introduction

The mission of the Academy of K9 Detection (AKD) is to equip and assist our customers with the tools necessary to complete their essential training requirements and missions. We strive to become the enduring and trusted partners who understand the objectives and support required to enabling the customer to progress forward into a successful paradigm.

AKD has developed innovative training programs for an evolving and complex threat environment for the Police, Military, Border / Customs, Maritime, Aviation, Private sectors and corporate security specialists worldwide. We understand the threats from criminality and extremist terrorism are constantly changing, their actions are dynamic, and maintaining effectiveness in the fight against them remains an enduring requirement. Evolving threats posed by adversaries have matured from the single small arms or IED attack, to an ability to simultaneously employ conventional and non-conventional means adaptively in pursuit of their objectives. Adversaries form alliances, business agreements, and partnerships with other criminal, or sometimes legitimate organisations to advance their cause and capability.

AKD have built a compendium of training courses which outline the core subjects, objectives, and content. This compendium will allow the customer to identify the training they require through a process of consultation and/or a training needs analysis (TNA) with staff who will identify exactly what is required thus, developing training tailored to exacting needs. This compendium is not a definitive list of courses available; AKD can design additional courses explicitly tailored to the customers exacting needs.

Bespoke Training

Courses are divided into domains each domain covers a specific topic. Each topic is then divided into deliverable modules. These modules are the core which allow us to quickly and efficiently develop a course that is right for you. These proprietary products meet the industry's standards and are supported and kept current by our cadre of subject specialists.

Discipline

Lesson
Presentation
Lesson Plan
Instructor Guides
Terminal Learning Objectives
Enabling Learning Objectives
Key Learning Points
Training Aids

Module
Course Assessment Plan
Accreditation
Evaluation

Course
Course Training Plan
Programmes
Synopsis
Student Feedback

What does this mean to you?

AKD can provide the latest TTPs and standards in any of the domains, identifying only the subjects and topics essential to supporting your requirements.

Domains

Domains are the large mission areas that hold the relevant subjects. Each discipline contains modules that are the "raw information" to developing the lessons.

The 6 Domains are:

S1 - K9 Humanitarian Mine Action Sector.
S2 - Police / Military / Security Sector – Canine Detection.
S3 - Counter Improvised Explosive Device (CIED).

The Sectors are numbered S1 to S3 with course deliverables listed under each domain heading.

Training Delivery

The courses are complex in design and delivered to the exacting standards established by the *Academy of K9 Detection (AKD) - Training and Consultancy* UK best practice 'Operational Search and Counter Threat models' and other International entities such as; UK ACPO, NaCTSO, SfS, SfJ, British Standards, national Occupational Standards (NOS) NATO / JIDO and the European Defence Agency (EDA), SIA, FBI, DOD, DOS. It demands serious course design expertise to prepare the course design matrices, training objectives and the wealth of preparatory work required to deliver a course of training. We are backed up by a global network of K9, Search, CIED and EOD experts who are all former UK / International military and Police experts. This '*training collective'* is fundamental in providing a holistic 'K9 and CIED *threat solution'* capability and one which we provide as an operational and training service.

Finally, our company philosophy is one of mentoring and transferring our expertise. We do not disappear on completion of delivery of services but remain actively engaged with the client and sub-clients who simply cannot undertake to develop new capabilities without the ability to 'reach-back' to us as a support, advisory and mentoring service. In order to achieve this, we provide a '*critical friend*' ethos to the trained student as an enduring support package.
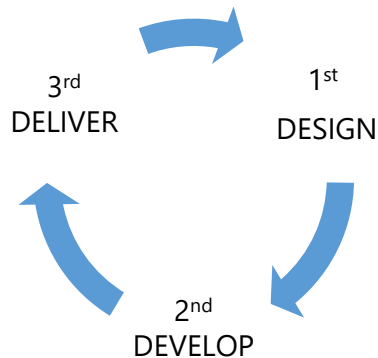
Training Methodology

The training scope and requirement of any client is our priority. An initial meeting with the client is requested to identify what these needs and desires are, identify current capabilities and focus where AKD can provide the necessary support. It is recommended that once a decision on training requirement is realised that a detailed Training Needs Analysis (TNA) be conducted to identify exactly the best course of action for each discipline. This will ensure that a fully accredited and approved courses will be delivered to the standards agreed. In addition, this will ensure all those receiving the training are fully trained in accordance with the needs of that specific organisation.
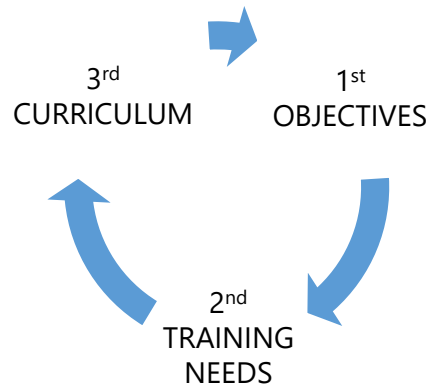
Training Plan

This Training Plan outlines the steps required to:

3rd
DELIVER

1st
DESIGN

2nd
DEVELOP

And specifically outlines the:

3rd
CURRICULUM

1st
OBJECTIVES

2nd
TRAINING
NEEDS

Course Design Structure

AKD develop all courses using the most appropriate and relevant Instructional Systems Design (ISD) model such as ADDIE (Analysis, Design, Development, Implementation and Evaluation) or Systems Approach to Training (SAT).

The framework for course delivery is centred on the operational requirement. This demands that we provide the student with varied 'modules' of teaching that provide depth in 'threat' and current intelligence, the roles of the K9 Search, K9 handler, Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD), Security Search Operations (SSO) and Counter Improvised Explosive Device (CIED) and how the operational fusion of explosive threat response must be practiced, understood and managed.

> **Countering Explosive Threats Ethos**
>
> *Understand, Predict, Plan*
> Intelligence & Analysis   Imagery   Threat   Assessments   TTP's
>
> *Prepare, Detect, Mitigate, Defeat*
> Defensive or Offensive, Commanders Intent, IEDD, detection, equipment, TTP's
>
> *Prevent and Exploit*
> Forensics   Biometrics   Documentation   Evidence

The wide-ranging inter-relationships of countering the explosive threat.

The approach to the course design is thorough and meticulous. In outline, we will deliver the following components of the course design and documentation which will bring the courses in line with the 'best practice' UK training model. All courses will be contained in a formatted Course Management Training Plan (CMP); the CMP will be comprised of the following elements:

- Course Design Matrix-

    • Terminal Learning Objectives (TLO).
    • Enabling Learning Objectives (ELO).
    • Key Learning Points (KLP).
    • Performance, Conditions and Standards of the training environment.

- Instructional specifications - Identify lesson content cross referenced from the course design matrix.
- Job specifications – Students (supplied by client) and Instructors.
- Detailed Course Programmes.
- Slide Decks. (MS power point).
- Course Assessment Plan (CAP) – assessments and examinations.
- Course student précis and training folders.
- Abbreviations and Acronyms.
- Exercise scenarios.
- Planning packs – scenario based (Image maps, threat scenarios).
- Course certification.
- Course Limitations and identified training gaps.
- Course references.
- Resources and Training Aid Requirements.
- Amendments policy.
- Health and Safety risk assessments for the course.
- Course joining instructions (where necessary).

In addition to the above, we can provide:

- Operational accreditation plan and options.
- Operational Logbooks (for licensing and accreditation).
- Recommended Equipment's schedules.
- Listing of recommendations - additional training modules to further enhance the training as part of continuing professional development.
- Operational explosive threat response operations documentation (forms) for use as standard operating procedures on operational tasks.

All intellectual property (IP) of the documentation remains with AKD unless otherwise agreed through contractual agreement.

Qualifications

AKD cross reference their courses to the UK National Occupational Standards (NOS), Security Industry Authority (SIA), Skill for Security (SfS), Skills for Justice (SfJ), Homeland Security Qualifications (HSQ), including other K9 references such as NOS of other nations.

Our courses are externally accredited by OCNcredit4learning an internationally recognised accrediting body ensuring that the subject material and course content are compliant with the exacting NOS and other regulatory bodies standards. These qualifications (suite) are a comprehensive, integrated range of courses that can be achieved as stand-alone qualifications, or as a continuous development program used to progress all through the specialist courses, such as, canine handler, counter threat SEARCH, CIED or Explosive Ordnance Disposal operations.

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The following pages outline the compendium of courses available to the client through THE Academy of K9 Detection (AKD).

Domains

Domain Number	Domain Subject
S1	K9 Humanitarian Mine Action Sector.
S2	Police / Military / Security Sector – Canine Detection
S3	Counter Improvised Explosive Device (CIED).

Course Content

The individual course prospectuses are guidance documents only outlining course content, objectives, numbers, class sizes and may be altered in consultation with the client to meet specific requirements.

Bespoke training modules and courses may be developed at the client's request.

Should a suitable course for your needs not be listed please contact us to assist you in developing a course to meet your exacting needs.

Courses may be delivered within the United Kingdom or Republic of Kosovo or as a deployed training team cadre through AKD arrangements.

Train the Trainer (TtT) Courses

Clients requests for Training the Trainer should be dealt with by contacting AKD directly.

SECTOR 1 – K9 HUMANITARIAN MINE ACTION SECTOR

The Humanitarian Mine Action (HMA) sector utilise K9 assets in support of landmine, ERW and IED clearance operations. The role of the K9 asset is to SEARCH for and locate explosive threat items in support of demining (manual clearance), Mechanical clearance, Area Reduction and Quality Assurance (QA) operations. For a K9 handler to be safe and efficient they must have a thorough knowledge of HMA SOPs, concept of operations, their role within a clearance operation, how to recognise explosive threat items in addition to understanding their capabilities as a K9 handler. All k9 handlers need to have a knowledge of the in-country risks and threats which will better equip the operatives to safely and ably carryout their duties.

This domain contains:

Courses which are directed at the skills and knowledge essential for carefully planning and supporting the elimination of landmines and Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) in support of HMA operations. Having an ability to SEARCH for mines. IEDs and ERW, which threaten our values and way of life will enable frontline HMA K9 handlers to safeguard personnel, property, and infrastructure.

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Humanitarian Improvised Explosive Device Clearance (HIEDC)	13

K9 Handlers courses are specifically designed for a full mission profile approach to develop or enhance a K9 handler. The courses are design for either newly or experienced personnel to enable them to function within a mine clearance operation effectively and safely.

K9 Deployed teams:

AKD have at their disposal a number of handlers and K9 assets able to deploy into theatre to conduct MDD, EDD, CIED search support and quality assurance (QA) as a stand- alone capability.

AKD will supply the K9 teams:

Prepare K9 teams.
Deploy equipment and in country support.
Deploy assets into country.
Manage in country K9 teams and provide all in country life support.
Maintain client relationships with reports and returns on performance.
Extract K9 teams from country.

Mine Detection Dogs (MDD)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to conduct Mine Detection Dog (MDD) Search in support of Quality Assurance (QA), Area Reduction, Mechanical and Demining clearance operations and for the Humanitarian Mine Action (HMA) sector.

Course Description

The MDD course provides the handler with a capability to conduct Mine clearance untilising a K9 asset in support of HMA operations. Handlers will be able to recognise Land Service Ammunition (LSA), understand their role and concept of operations for mine action clearance operations for support to area reduction, demining, mechanical clearance support and Quality Assurance (QA) operations. It will cover differing K9 methods of search such as long / short / free running and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any mine clearance operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a MDD, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and HMA documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- HMA concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- HMA organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Mine clearance methodology – demining (manual), Mechanical clearance, area reduction and QA.
- Recognition of LSA and other threat items (specific to theatre).
- In country life support.
- K9 welfare – vehicles, diet, health, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- K9 detection methodology specific to mine field search and QA.
- K9 assessment and testing – Use of LSA as explosive detection test pieces.
- K9 corrective behavior methods.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

8 (a student/instructor ratio of 4/1 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

6 - 8 weeks.

Participant Requirements

No prerequisites.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Explosive Detection Dogs (EDD)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to conduct Explosive Detection Dog (EDD) Search in support of Quality Assurance (QA), Area, Rubble Search, Route Search, Person, Vehicle, Building, support to Mechanical clearance operations for the Humanitarian Mine Action (HMA) sector.

Course Description

The EDD course provides the handler with a capability to conduct explosive clearance untilising a K9 asset in support of HMA operations. Handlers will be able to recognise Land Service Ammunition (LSA) and Improvised Explosive devices (IED), understand their role and concept of operations for support to clearance operations of IED seeded environments. It will cover differing K9 methods of search such as long / short / free running and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any IED clearance operation.

Course Content

- HMA concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- HMA organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Explosive/IED clearance methodology – demining (manual), Mechanical clearance, area reduction and QA.
- Recognition of LSA, IED and other threat items (specific to theatre).
- In country life support.
- K9 welfare – vehicles, diet, health, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- K9 detection methodology specific to mine field search and QA.
- K9 assessment and testing – Use of LSA and IED explosive components as detection test pieces.
- K9 corrective behavior methods.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

8 (a student/instructor ratio of 4/1 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

6 - 8 weeks.

Participant Requirements

No prerequisites.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Basic Explosive Handling

Course Objectives

To provide K9 handlers with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to carry out their K9 duties in a safe manner

Course Description

Explosive management is one of the priorities in maintaining explosive safety. This course offers a comprehensive and concise overview of the considerations and procedures to be observed when dealing with training explosive samples for the explosive sector of business for managing, ordering, licensing, and handling and storage of explosive training kits. BEM courses are directed at the training and programs required by legislation to safely management explosive facilities and processing areas, risk assessments, storage and handling, security of and accountability for munitions.

Course Content

- EU legislation and regulation for transportation, storage and handling.
- Transportation Requirements
- Safe handling and use for training and K9 assessment. (contamination)
- Storage of explosives.
- Procurement and Disposal processes.
- Explosive test kits/sets.
- Practical Exercises

Maximum Class Size

16 (a student/instructor ratio of 16/2 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

5 Days.

Participant Requirements

Military, Police and security sector K9 handlers who have a responsibility for management and disposal of explosives.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

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Humanitarian Improvised Explosive Device Clearance (HIEDC)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to conduct HIEDC in support of clearance operations for Area, Rubble Search, Route Search, Person, Vehicle, Building, support to Mechanical clearance operations for the Humanitarian Mine Action (HMA) sector; in a permissive environment.

Course Description

The HIEDC course provides the students with a capability to conduct explosive clearance untilising SEARCH skills in support of HMA operations. Students will be able to recognise Land Service Ammunition (LSA) and Improvised Explosive devices (IED), understand their role and concept of operations for support to clearance operations of IED seeded environments. It will cover differing search methods, implementation of semi remote and manual techniques, use of drones and remote-control cameras and provide the student with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any IED clearance operation.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Explosive clearance methodology – person search, Area, vehicle, building, aircraft, vessels etc. (specific to role)
- Recognition of IED and other threat items (specific to theatre).
- In country life support.
- Specialist SEARCH Equipment's
- Conduct Building Search Operations.
- Conduct Area SEARCH Operations.
- Conduct Route SEARCH operations.
- Conduct Rubble SEARCH Operations.
- Conduct SEARCH support to manual and mechanical clearance operations
- Person/Vehicle – In support of Base security (optional modules).
- Work alongside K9 / Civil /Police/Mil assets in support of Search operations.

Additional Course content

Working at heights. (5 days added to course delivery).
Confined Space Training. (5 days added to course delivery).

Maximum Class Size

Specific to client requirement – arranged through consultation.

Course Duration

20 – 40 days. (client dependent)

Participant Requirements and Location

Client location / Kosovo.

SECTOR 2 – POLICE / MILITARY / SECURITY SECTOR – CANINE DETECTION

Section 2 provides an overview of the K9 courses which in the main follow the National Counter Terrorist Security Office (NaCTSO) and Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) standards in cadre with National occupational standards and British Standards (BS 8517 part 1&2). It is accepted that individual organisations will continue to tailor training delivery to address individual needs, budgets and objectives however, AKD will in principle follow the recommendation for course duration and content detailed in the ACPO K9 manual.

In addition, to the K9 capability requirements within the security sector K9 handlers and security personnel require further knowledge of their working paradigm. All security operatives whether private security, Customs officers or Police need to have a knowledge of the criminal and extremist terrorist threats. Understanding the threats, we face from gun crime; knife attacks; explosive devices and crime related incidents will better equip the operatives to safely and ably carryout their duties.

This domain contains:

Courses which are directed at the skills and knowledge essential for properly planning and eliminating explosive threats in support of security operations. Having an ability to SEARCH for detect, deter and defeat any explosive threat, which threaten our values and way of life will enable front line security personnel to safeguard personnel, property, and infrastructure.

K9 Handlers courses are specifically designed for a full mission profile approach to develop or enhance a K9 handler. The courses are design for green or experienced personnel to operate within a security unit, as single handler or part of an existing organisation such as the Military or Police to enable them to function effectively and safely.

General Purpose Dog Level 2 - 3 (GP - Police)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to provide general purpose K9 support to Security operations. Courses will focus on the **POLICE sector.**

Course Description

The GP – Police course provides the handler with a capability to conduct tracking of persons, building, areas searches and use of force/ detention of criminals in support of Police operations. Handlers will be able to recognise Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) by component, understand their role and concept of operations for police operations. The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any security operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a GP dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of area search.
- Search of buildings and open land.
- Search for property.
- Use of Force.
- Pursuit and detention of criminal offenders.
- Correct use of protective equipment used in the bite work elements of the course Instruction on 'helper' work in both bite work and person search exercises.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 13 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 8 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Nil

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

AKD-GP-SECSEC- 02/02

General Purpose Dog Level 2 - 3 (GP – Security Sector)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to provide general purpose K9 support to Security operations. Courses will focus on the **SECURITY sector.**

Course Description

The GP – Security Sector course provides the handler with a capability to conduct tracking of persons, building, areas searches and use of force/ detention of criminals in support of Police and security operations. Handlers will be able to recognise Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) by component, understand their role and concept of operations for security operations. The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any security operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a GP dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of area search.
- Search of buildings and open land.
- Search for property.
- Use of Force.
- Pursuit and detention of criminal offenders.
- Correct use of protective equipment used in the bite work elements of the course Instruction on 'helper' work in both bite work and person search exercises.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 9 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 – 4 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

AKD-GP-K9-REFRESH - 01/03 - (refresher)

General Purpose Dog Level 2 - 3 (GP – K9) REFRESHER

Course Objectives

To REFRESH students in the skills, knowledge, and ability to allow them to consolidate basic training, refine dog handling technique and allow management to assess the progress of dog and handler, given the appropriate equipment and conditions. Course will focus on the **POLICE sector** and where possible incorporate simulated incidents of a practical nature and night work will be included as appropriate.

Course Description

The GP – Police REFRESHER course provide MANAGERS and trainers with the ability to assess, monitor and advance the handlers skills and abilities in all aspects of GP K9 police work.

Course Content

- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Assessment of the standard of handler and dog.
- Correct any fault in handling skills and general obedience.
- To ensure correct application of commands.
- Rectify any fault in the use of tracking harness and line.
- Ensure the correct performance of search procedures.
- Confirm the proper use of dogs in use of force situations.

To reinforce basic training of the dog as follows:

- To respond correctly to the handler.
- To improve the standard of heelwork.
- To advance tracking ability on a variety of surfaces.
- To correct any fault in article indication.
- To improve the standard of all aspects of search.
- To correct any fault which may occur in criminal work.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

1 week every 6 months.

Participant Requirements

Qualified GP K9 handler– Police or security sector.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) Dog Level 3 (Mil/Security Sector/Police)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to provide general purpose K9 support to all security operations. Courses will focus on all **sectors.**

Course Description

The VOCD course provides the K9 team with a capability to conduct detection of any volatile organic compound (VOC) requested by the client within known limitations. VOC teams are able to operate in support of all security operations and in most environments such as buildings, vehicles, airports, shipping, ports, persons and open areas; in support of security operations. Handlers will be able to recognise Improvised Explosive Devices (IED), firearms and narcotics by component, understand their role and concept of operations for security operations. The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any security operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a GP dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash / Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line for VOC tracking.
- Application of methods of VOC search for Passive People (EDD) / Person Borne Weapons (firearms) / Vehicle, Route, Area Search.
- Search of areas specific to the client's requirements. (ships, aircraft, terminals, freight, vehicles, persons, building, open areas).
- Scent imprinting as requested by client. (narcotics, explosives, tobacco, money, foods, other).
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 9 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 – 4 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Firearms Support Dog (FSD) Level 4 - Firearms Support

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to provide close support to tactical fire arms teams slow methodical searches of buildings and vehicles, pursue suspects, track and search open ground, containment of buildings and open areas and provide less lethal option when dealing with non-compliant suspects; in support of fire arms teams.

Course Description

The FSD course provides Police firearms teams with a capability to conduct operations untilising a K9 asset in support. K9 handlers will be able to provide an alternative less lethal option in the search for and apprehension of non-compliant or armed suspects. In addition, handler will be taught to recognise firearms and Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) by component, understand their role and concept of operations in support of police firearms operations. It will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess an FSD, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash and use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Pressure training to include blank rounds, sticks, whips.
- Application of methods of open area search for hostile suspects.
- Search of buildings and open land for hostile suspects.
- Use of Force - Pursuit and detention of for hostile suspects.
- Correct use of protective equipment used in the bite work elements of the course Instruction on 'helper' work in both bite work and person search exercises.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

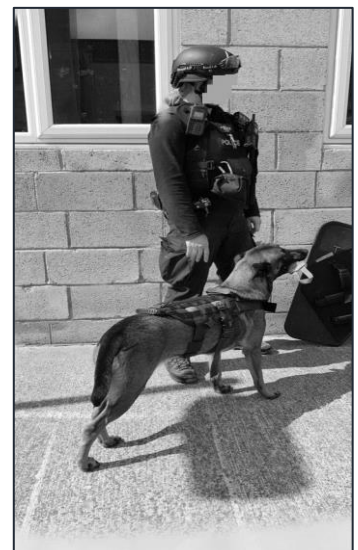8 (a student/instructor ratio of 4/1 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

Novice handler 13 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 8 weeks).

Participant Requirements

No prerequisites.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

AKD-Drug Dog Passive (DDP) - 01

Drug Dog Level 3 Passive scanning (people)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to locate and indicate the presence of the scent of drugs on people. This is achieved by allowing a non-intrusive dog to scan the air around an individual and give a trained, passive response to indicate the presence of such a substance in support of Police and security operations.

Course Description

The PDD course provides the handler with a capability to conduct passive drug detection upon persons. building, areas searches and use of force/ detention of criminals in support of Police and security operations. Handlers will be able to recognise Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) by component, understand their role and concept of operations for security operations. The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any security operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a GP dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of Person search.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 - 8 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 4 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Drug Dog Level 3 Passive scanning (people) REFRESHER

Course Objectives

To REFRESH students in the skills, knowledge, and ability to allow them to consolidate basic training, refine dog handling technique and allow management to assess the progress of dog and handler, given the appropriate equipment and conditions. Course will focus may focus on civil or police sectors and where possible incorporate simulated incidents of a practical nature.

Course Description

The DDP – REFRESHER course provides MANAGERS and trainers with the ability to assess, monitor and advance the handlers skills and abilities in all aspects of PDD K9 work.

Course Content – Refresh:

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of Person search.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Consist of a 1-week course, every six months.

Participant Requirements

Qualified DDP handler.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Drug Dog Level 3 - Pro-active (Search)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to search and locate concealed dangerous drugs to the highest possible standards. This includes the following: "Cocaine/Crack Cocaine, Heroin, Amphetamine Sulphate, Cannabis Resin, Herbal Cannabis, Ecstasy".
This includes any derivative of the above drugs or any other known narcotic substance that the agency requiring a trained drugs search team may stipulate, in support of Police and security operations. This course may be conducted where the scent substance may be Tobacco, firearms, currency, electronic data media, food and where the operational focus may differ.

Course Description

The DDPA course provides the handler with a capability to conduct drug detection of buildings, open areas and vehicle searches in support of Police and security operations. Handlers will be able to recognise types of drugs by component, understand their role and concept of operations for security operations. The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any security operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a DDPA dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of Building, open area and vehicle search.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 weeks.
(experienced handler with part trained K9 - 4 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

AKD-Drug Dog Pro-active (Search) (DDPA-refresher) – 01/02

Drug Dog Pro-Active (Search) Level 3 REFRESHER

Course Objectives

To REFRESH students in the skills, knowledge, and ability to allow them to consolidate basic training, refine dog handling technique and allow management to assess the progress of dog and handler, given the appropriate equipment and conditions. Course will focus may focus on civil or police sectors and where possible incorporate simulated incidents of a practical nature. This course may be conducted where the scent substance may be Tobacco, firearms, currency, electronic data media, food and where the operational focus may differ.

Course Description

The DDPA – REFRESHER course provides MANAGERS and trainers with the ability to assess, monitor and advance the handlers skills and abilities in all aspects of PDD K9 work.

Course Content – Refresh:

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of Person search.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Consist of a 1-week course, every six months.

Participant Requirements

Qualified DDPA handler.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

AKD - Victim Detection Dog (Cadaver) (VDD) - 01

Victim Detection Dog (VDD) / Human Remains Dog (HRD) Level 3

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to detect and indicate the presence of buried or concealed meat and/or bones in varying conditions of freshness, decomposition or mummification to provide the Police Service with a means of identifying the location of deceased bodies or body parts.
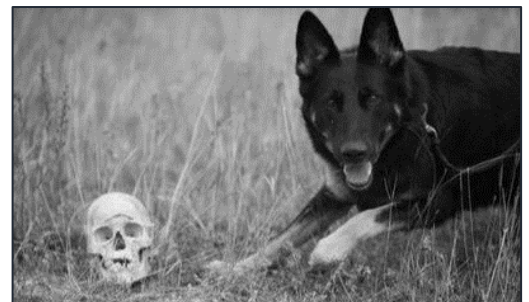
Course Description

The VDD course provides the handler with a capability to conduct detection of buried or concealed meat and/or bones in support of Police and search and rescue operations. The practical application of VDD can be divided into two areas:
•   Locating concealed bodies
•   Disaster victim detection.
The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a DDPA dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of Building, open area and vehicle search.
- Application of Grave / probe search.
- Human bone identification.
- Health and Safety Procedures.
- Forensic awareness and cross contamination issues.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 - 8 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Casualty Detection Dog (CDD) (CDD) Level 3

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to detect and indicate the presence of a conscious, unconscious, injured or missing person who may be buried or concealed to provide the Police Service with a means of identifying the location of a body.

Course Description

The CDD course provides the handler with a capability to detect and indicate the presence of a conscious, unconscious, injured or missing person in support of Police and security operations.   The practical application of CDD can be divided into two areas:

- Hasty Search - 1 x casualty, small areas
- Intermediate Search - by day and night, up to 180m^2, 2 x casualties
- Advanced Search - by day and night, above to 180m^2, 3+ casualties

The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a DDPA dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication / documentation and reporting.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical / transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of tracking and trailing.
- Risk and vulnerability assessments.
- Basic first aid and Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 - 8 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

AKD- Forensic Evidence Search Dog (FES)) - 01

Forensic Evidence Search Dog (FES) Level 4 (blood)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to detect and indicate the presence of biological traces of human blood by its scent in varying amounts and stages of decomposition in support of police operations.

Course Description

The FES course provides the handler with a capability to provide the Police Service with a means of identifying human blood scent, whether it be as a screening tool on articles such as clothing and footwear, or as a search asset for locating scenes of crime or in the detection of discarded bloodstained weapons etc. The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a DDPA dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods, forensic awareness and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of Building, open area and vehicle search.
- Application of article screening.
- Health and Safety Procedures.
- Forensic awareness and cross contamination issues.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 - 8 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Explosives Search Detection Dog Training (ESDDT) Level 4 (Police)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to conduct Explosive Search in support of Police operations.

Course Description

The ESDDT course provides the handler with a capability to conduct explosive SEARCH untilising a K9 asset in support of Police operations. Handlers will be able to recognise Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) by component, understand their role and concept of operations for operations. It will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any security operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess an ESDDT, transportation, storage and handling of explosives, cross contamination, forensic awareness, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- ESDDT concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Explosive Search methodology – person search, Area, vehicle, building, aircraft, vessels etc. (specific to role)
- Recognition of IED and other threat items (specific to theatre).
- K9 welfare – vehicles, diet, health, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- K9 assessment and testing – Use of explosives test pieces.
- K9 corrective behavior methods.
- Forensic awareness and cross contamination.
- Storage, transportation and handling of explosives samples.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Minimum of 4/1.

Course Duration

Novice Handler/No Explosive Search Dog Experience

Course duration 7 weeks
Assessment 1 week
Total 8 weeks

Experienced Search Dog Handler/Novice Dog

Course duration 5 weeks
Assessment 1 week
Total 6 weeks

Experienced Search Dog Handler/Puppy or Gift Dog Working with an Instructor within a Structured Training Environment

Course duration 3 weeks
Assessment 1 week
Total 4 weeks

Experienced Search Dog Handler/Re-allocated and Trained Explosive Search Dog

Course duration 2 weeks
Assessment 1 week
Total 3 weeks

The above timescales should be seen as a guide only and a team will only be put forward for licensing by the instructor when considered operationally competent. This will allow for any unforeseen circumstances i.e. injury / sickness.4 – 6 weeks.

Participant Requirements

No prerequisites.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Arms and Explosive Search Dog (AES) Level 4 (Military)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to conduct Explosive Search in support of Military operations.

Course Description

The ESDDT course provides the handler with a capability to conduct arms and explosive SEARCH untilising a K9 asset in support of military operations. Handlers will be able to recognise firearms and Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) by component, understand their role and concept of operations for operations. It will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any security operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess an ESDDT, transportation, storage and handling of explosives, cross contamination, forensic awareness, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- ESDDT concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Explosive Search methodology – person search, Area, vehicle, building, aircraft, vessels etc. (specific to role)
- Recognition of firearms and IED and other threat items (specific to theatre).
- K9 welfare – vehicles, diet, health, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- K9 assessment and testing – Use of explosives test pieces.
- K9 corrective behavior methods.
- Forensic awareness and cross contamination.
- Storage, transportation and handling of explosives samples.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Minimum of 4/1.

Course Duration

Course duration 13 weeks

Participant Requirements

No prerequisites.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Explosive Search Detection Dog Team (ESDDT) Level 4 (Security Sector)

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to conduct Explosive Search in support of Police or security operations.

Course Description

The ESDDT course provides the handler with a capability to conduct arms and explosive SEARCH untilising a K9 asset in support of police and security operations. Handlers will be able to recognise Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) by component, understand their role and concept of operations for operations. It will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any security operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess an ESDDT, transportation, storage and handling of explosives, cross contamination, forensic awareness, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- ESDDT concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Explosive Search methodology – person search, Area, vehicle, building, aircraft, vessels etc. (specific to role)
- Recognition of firearms and IED and other threat items (specific to theatre).
- K9 welfare – vehicles, diet, health, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- K9 assessment and testing – Use of explosives test pieces.
- K9 corrective behavior methods.
- Forensic awareness and cross contamination.
- Storage, transportation and handling of explosives samples.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Minimum of 4/1.

Course Duration

Course duration 8 weeks

Participant Requirements

Completion of Pre-course work (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Explosives Detection Dog (EDD) Level 4 REFRESHER

Course Objectives

To REFRESH students in the skills, knowledge, and ability to allow them to consolidate basic training, refine dog handling technique and allow management to assess the progress of dog and handler, given the appropriate equipment and conditions. Course will focus may focus on civil or police sectors and where possible incorporate simulated incidents of a practical nature.

Course Description

The ESDDT – REFRESHER course provides MANAGERS and trainers with the ability to assess, monitor and advance the handlers skills and abilities in all aspects of K9 work.

Course Content – Refresh:

- ESDDT concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Explosive Search methodology – person search, Area, vehicle, building, aircraft, vessels etc. (specific to role)
- Recognition of firearms and IED and other threat items (specific to theatre).
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- K9 assessment and testing – Use of explosives test pieces.
- K9 corrective behavior methods.
- Forensic awareness and cross contamination.
- Storage, transportation and handling of explosives samples.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Consist of a 1-week course, every six months.

Participant Requirements

Qualified ESDDT handler.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Continuation Training

Complacency is the greatest enemy of the ESDDT. Even with careful selection it is easy for a handler to become overconfident. Continuation training ensures regular observation of a team by suitably qualified personnel, between refresher training and licensing, ensuring positive reinforcement for the dog and consolidation of recognised aims and objectives. ESDDT's should be afforded a minimum of 10 days continuation training spread evenly throughout a 12-month period, and when practicable additional days would be considered good practice and should be afforded wherever possible.

Tracker Dog Level 4 UK Police

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to track ensuring that a dog is capable of following a selected track to the exclusion of all others in order to locate people (suspects or missing persons) and identify and allow for the detection of physical evidence abandoned on or near to the track.

Course Description

The TD course provides the handler with a capability to conduct earth scent detection, trailing scent to locate a missing person or property in support of Police operations. The course will cover differing K9 methods of tracking and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a TD dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of earth scenting tracking and trailing.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 - 8 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Nil

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Tracker Dog Level 4 ISD

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to track ensuring that a dog is capable of following a given specific scent to the exclusion of all others in order to locate people (suspects or missing persons) and identify and allow for the detection of physical evidence abandoned on or near to the track relating to a specific scent.

Course Description

The TD ISD course provides the handler with a capability to conduct earth scent detection, tracking and trailing scent to locate a missing person or property in support of all sector operations. The course will cover differing K9 methods of tracking and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a TD ISD dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line / methods of discrimination.
- Application of methods of earth scenting tracking and trailing.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 - 8 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Nil

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Tracker Dog Level 3 UK Security Sector

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to track ensuring that the dog is capable of following a selected track to the exclusion of all others in order to locate people (suspects or missing persons) and identify and allow for the detection of physical evidence abandoned on or near to the track.

Course Description

The TD course provides the handler with a capability to conduct earth scent detection, trailing scent to locate a missing person or property in support of Police and security operations. The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a DDPA dog, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical.
- Transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Documentation and reporting.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of agility equipment.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of methods of earth scenting tracking and trailing.
- Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 - 8 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Structural Collapse (SCC) Course Level 3

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to detect and indicate the presence of a conscious, unconscious, injured or missing person who may be buried or concealed beneath collapsed structures, landslides, snow drifts etc. To provide all sectors with a means of identifying the location of a body/bodies.

Course Description

The CDD course provides the handler with a capability to detect and indicate the presence of persons who may have been buried as a result of a natural or manmade disaster. The persons in question may be a conscious, unconscious, injured or deceased. Operations may be on land or over water, in support of search and rescue operations. The practical application of SCC can be divided into 3 areas:
- Hasty Search - 1 x casualty, small areas.
- Intermediate Search - by day and night, up to 180m^2, 2 x casualties.
- Advanced Search - by day and night, above to 180m^2, 3+ casualties.

The course will cover differing K9 methods of search and provide the handler with the knowledge to operate safely and effectively within any operation. Handlers will be taught how to manage and assess a SCC dogs, provision of life support, K9 welfare, K9 transportation, corrective behavior methods and sector documentation and reporting.

Course Content

- Sector concept of operations, legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication / documentation and reporting.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- K9 welfare – Grooming, health, diet, kenneling, medical / transportation of K9 assets.
- K9 equipment and maintenance / procurement.
- Correct use of check chain, collar and leash.
- Use of training commands, both verbal and visual.
- Correct use of tracking harness and tracking line.
- Application of tracking and trailing.
- Risk and vulnerability assessments.
- Basic first aid and Health and Safety Procedures.

Maximum Class Size

Student/instructor ratio of 4-1 minimum.

Course Duration

Novice handler 6 - 8 weeks. (experienced handler with part trained K9 - 6 weeks)

Participant Requirements

Pre-course online learning modules. (2 weeks)

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Scent Room Detection Technician Level 4 (all sectors)

Course Objectives

SRDT course enable K9 handlers to setup, operate and maintain scent room systems for K9 training, evaluation and assessment.

Course Description

This course is focused at experienced, qualified level 3 handlers who are training / teaching / assessing other K9 operatives. The SRDT course provides the handler with a capability to utilise scent detection systems *(either AKD system or specific to client)* to enable them to conduct K9 scent imprinting, assessment, evaluation effectively and within the bounds of current K9 legislation. Students will be taught how to handler samples correctly, issues with cross contamination, K9 documentation, asset management and maintenance.

Course Content

- Principles of K9 scent imprinting (VOC).
- Types of imprinting methodology.
- Systems available.
- Sample handling.
- Cross contamination and resolution.
- Maintenance.
- Evaluation and assessment.
- K9 legislation.
- K9 documentation.

Maximum Class Size

8 (a student/instructor ratio of 8/1 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

5 days

Participant Requirements

Qualified K9 handler - level 3

Location

Client location.

K9 Management courses Level 4 (all sectors)

Course Objectives

SRDT course enable K9m operatives to setup, operate and manage a K9 team program in support of security operations for any sector.

Course Description

This course is focused at experienced, qualified level 3 handlers who are wishing to expand their knowledge of K9 management. The K9 management course will provides the handler with a thorough understanding of managing K9 programs from infancy to conclusion. Students will begin with legislation, SOPs, risk assessment, consequence management, person management, managing budgets, training scheduling, time management through to client liaison, costing and proposal writing.

Course Content

- Principles of quality management systems (QMS)
- Personnel management – employment law / conflict resolution / task management/ time management.
- Staff development.
- Risk and vulnerability assessment.
- Consequence management.
- Budgeting, resource and asset management.
- K9 Legislation and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Sector organisations and inter-agency liaison and communication.
- Manage oneself – personnel development.
- Project scheduling / Quality assurance.
- Client liaison.
- Training, refresher training and continuation training management.
- Introduction to Proposal writing.
- K9 documentation.

Maximum Class Size

8 (a student/instructor ratio of 8/1 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

5 days

Participant Requirements

Experienced K9 handler - level 3

Location

Client location.

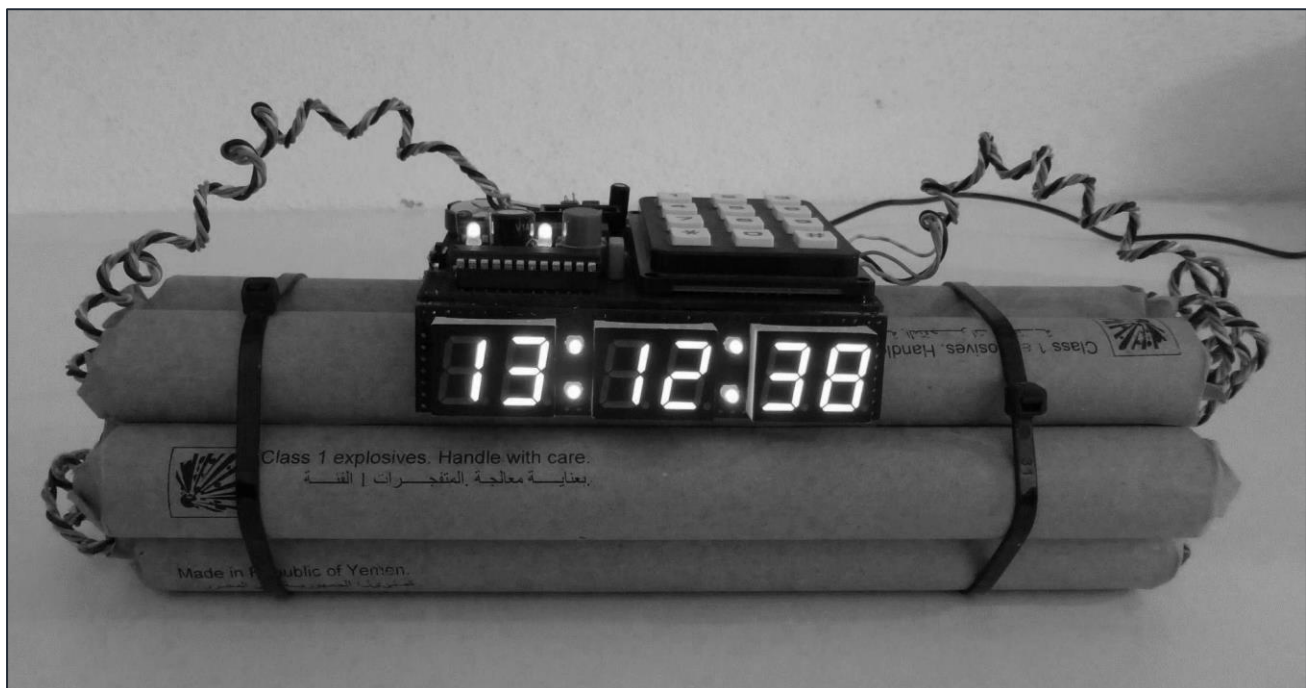## SECTOR 3 - SECURITY SECTOR - COUNTER IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICE (CIED).

CIED is a domain that contains a wide range of skills and knowledge for personnel and organizations that are involved in planning and operating in a potential explosive threat environment. It provides training, understanding and procedures for SEARCH & CIED operations.

This domain contains:

Courses which focus on the ability of security / first responder personnel to respond to a life-threatening incident. Students will gain the knowledge and ability to plan, conduct and maintain security through implementation of SEARCH processes for the systematic searching of environments within their security paradigm. This capability allows security operations to react effectively and safely to a given threat situation, thus ensuring the safety of personnel and property.

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Security operative courses are specifically designed for a full mission profile approach to develop or enhance a security operatives' capabilities. The courses are design for newly or experienced personnel to operate within a security unit, as single security operator or part of an existing organisation to enable them to function effectively and safely.

Introduction to Basic Search Awareness

Course Objectives

IBSAT is a 1/2-day presentation providing an overview of current criminal and terrorist threats. It provides civilian (non-security) staff with the knowledge and capability to react effectively in support of a security incident. Attendees will be given a presentation on improvised explosive devices, current threats and how to react in support of security incidents within their work environment in a safe, systematic and timely manner.

Course Description

This course is designed for security staff to enable them to effectively respond to a threat incident as part of a coordinated security response.

Course Content

- Terrorist/Criminal Threat presentation – World/country/specific.
- Threat items and component parts of an IED Recognition.
- Action in Response to a security situation.

Maximum Class Size

No limit – presentation only.

Course Duration

½ day

Participant Requirements

Nil

Location

Client location.

Basic SEARCH Awareness Training (BSAT)

Course Objectives

BSAT is a 1, 2, 4 or 5 day course from refresher training to a 5 day in depth Counter Improvise Explosive Device Training course. It provides security personnel with the knowledge and capability to identify IED components; methods of attack (MOA) and response actions on discovery of a potential threat situation in a safe, systematic and timely manner.

Course Description

This course is designed for security staff to enable them to effectively respond to a threat incident as part of a coordinated security response.

Course Content

- Introduction to SEARCH
- The current threat
- Recognition of IEDs and other threats
- Methods of attack/(emplacement) – adversaries' capabilities
- Threat assessment
- Basic forensic awareness
- Action on – response to a find or incident
- ICP and Site Secondary Search.
- Mini confirmation exercise
- Person Search (optional)
- Vehicle Search (optional)
- Area and Urban environment Search
- Building / Property Search
- Reinforcement Training

Maximum Class Size

30 (a student/instructor ratio of 10/1 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

1 to 5 days

Participant Requirements

Security trained personnel.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

BSAT Team Leader (TL) / Security Manager (SM) (BSATTL) course

Course Objectives

SSTL is a 1-day course providing Team leaders (TL) and security managers (SM) with the ability to plan, evaluate and conduct security SEARCH operations having attended the Security SEARCH (SS) course. It provides security TL and SM with the knowledge and capability to implement security SEARCH into existing security protocols.

Course Description

This course is designed for security TL and SM to enable them to evaluate, plan, implement and conduct security SEARCH as part of a coordinated security response.

Course Content

- Incident and Search planning.
- Mapping of security environment
- Documentation
- Reinforcement exercise.

Maximum Class Size

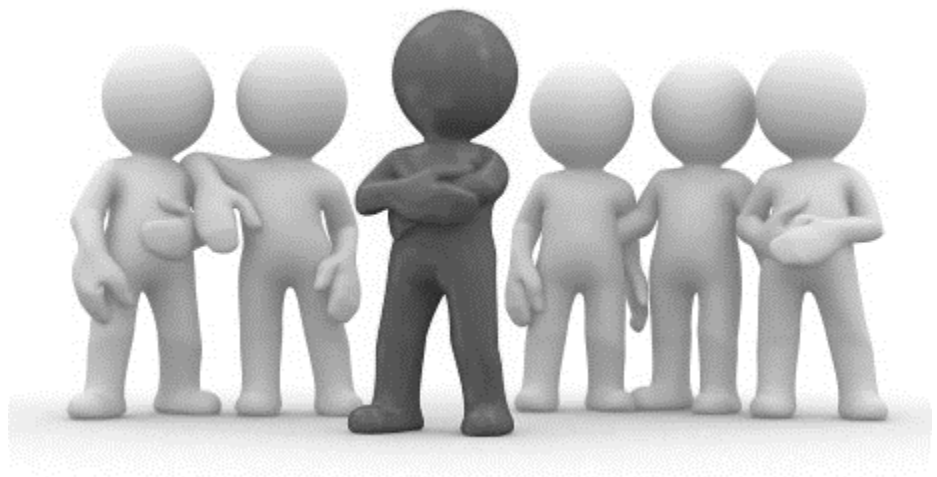8 (a student/instructor ratio of 8/1 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

1-days

Participant Requirements

Security trained TL and SM.

Location

Client location / UK / Kosovo Training Areas.

Maritime Search

Course Objectives

To provide students with the skills, knowledge, and ability that will allow them, given the appropriate equipment and conditions, to safely conduct search operations in a maritime environment.

Course Description

The maritime environment is one of the most difficult environments to operate in. Simple tasks conducted on land may become challenging when applied to a harbor or inlet surrounding. This course is designed for those individuals who are required to conduct search operations in a maritime environment.

Course Content

- Introduction to Maritime Search
- Search equipment and other assets
- Planning and Threat Assessment
- Vessel and port environment Search
- Exploitation and Forensics
- Post Task Actions
- Search Documentation and Legalities
- Practical Exercises

Maximum Class Size

12 (a student/instructor ratio of 4/1 is used for all practical sessions).

Course Duration

5 Day.

Participant Requirements

Military, Civilian and Law Enforcement personnel with a requirement to carry out maritime search operations in a permissive environment.

Location

Client location.

Specialist Search – Counter Terrorist (CT) Operations (HIGH ASSURANCE)

<u>Course Objectives</u>

To provide students will the ability to conduct CT specialist search in a potentially threat environment utilising specialist search equipment and ECM to achieve the 4 aims of search:

- To deprive the adversary of their resources.
- To gain evidence to assist with prosecution.
- To obtain intelligence.
- To protect potential targets.

<u>Course Description</u>

The specialist CT Search course provides students with the specific response skills to enable them to conduct advanced search operations where there is a requirement to provide high assurance that there is no explosive threat present. The course enables students to work safety in *high* threat environments. Students will be able to conduct searches of areas, buildings, aircraft, vessel, installations and routes to gain intelligence, locate resources, protect potential targets and deny the adversary their resources utilising specialist search equipment and ECM. In addition, they will be able to respond effectively to an incident and ensure their environment is free of explosive threats by conducting systematic search techniques.

<u>Course Content</u>

- Specialist search Equipment's and Electronic Counter measures (ECM) (Optional).
- Conduct Aircraft Search Operations.
- Conduct Vessel Search Operations.
- Conduct Installation/key economic locations search operations.
- Conduct high assurance venue searches.
- Conduct high Assurance Building and Area searches.
- Work alongside K9 / Civil /Police assets in support of Search operations.

<u>Additional Course content</u>

Working at heights. (5 days added to course delivery).
Confined Space Training. (5 days added to course delivery).
<u>Maximum Class Size</u>

Specific to client requirement – arranged through consultation.

<u>Course Duration</u>

20 – 30 days. (client dependent)

<u>Participant Requirements and Location</u>

Military / Police personnel - Client location only.