



Search & Seizure Workshop Outline

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learners

In-service training for certified law enforcement, including patrol, investigations, specialty units, and administration

length of instruction

Insert number of hours

Emerging Legal Trends dives deep into ten search and seizure areas that officers and command staff must understand. These areas include topics such as drones, curtilage, trespass searches and more. instruction is eye-opening, fast paced and never boring. Our instructors are retired police officers turned attorneys and know what you face when making legal decisions.

Course Introduction – 10 minutes

Instructor introduction.

- 1) Explain the course objective.
 - a) Define what actions are appropriate as it relates to the Fourth Amendment.
 - b) Identify specific actions that can be employed to search and/or seizure an individual.
 - c) Gain an understanding of the Fourth Amendment in everyday usage.

- 2) Encourage attendees to ask questions and share feedback with other attendees.

- 3) Explain that certificates will be emailed after the class and each student will be registered in the Blue to Gold University.

- 4) Go over the three disclaimers:
 - a) Laws and agency standard operating procedures may be more restrictive. Blue to Gold teaching the federal standard unless otherwise stated. Therefore, students must know their state and local requirements in addition to the federal standard.
 - b) If students have any doubts about their actions, ask a supervisor or legal advisor.
 - c) The course is not legal advice, but legal education. Therefore, nothing we teach should be interpreted as legal advice. Check with your agency's legal advisor for legal advice.

Module One – Legal Issues & Discussion Points for Scenarios

1. Is Miranda custody an objective or subjective standard?
2. Arrest as a Constitutional concept.
3. Words/Conduct and their implication for a seizure analysis.

Module Two – Scenario #2

1. Anonymous tips in the R.S./P.C. cause analysis
2. Scope of the Plain Feel Doctrine

Module Three – Scenario #3

1. Automobile exception
 - a. Located on residential curtilage.
 - b. Containers located in vehicle.
2. Searches of vehicle passengers.
3. Probable Cause

Module Four Scenario #4

1. Anonymous Tips
2. Delayed Warrantless Vehicle Searches

Module Five Scenario #5

1. Automobile Exception On Residential Curtilage.

Module Six Scenario #6

1. Scope of Exclusionary Rule
2. Search Incident to Arrest
 - a. Search Incident to Arrest Vehicle Occupant

Module Seven Scenario #7

1. Basis for Conducting a Vehicle Search

Module Eight Scenario #8

1. Arrest Warrant versus a Non-Consensual Entry Into a Residence
2. Fourth Amendment and Running Record Checks on Firearms

Module Nine Scenario #9 & #10

1. Obtaining Consent to Search
2. Can a Minor Give Consent?
3. Plain View Doctrine

Module Ten Scenario #11 & 12

1. Definition of Custody for Purposes of Miranda
2. Definition of Interrogation for Purposes of Miranda
3. Once Miranda is invoked
4. Issues as it applies to the Sixth Amendment, Right to Counsel

Module Eleven Scenario #13

1. Reliability of Citizen Informers

Program Conclusion

Review and Q & A session

End of class.