



Atlanta HIDTA Training Alert

Domestic Drug Interdiction

Course Length: 3 days (24 hours POST)

When: September 29 – October 1, 2010/ 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Where: Atlanta HIDTA 763 Juniper Street NE, Atlanta (Midtown)

Parking will be provided at the parking lot at the SE corner of Juniper and 5th Streets.

Enroll at www.atlantahidta.org.

This program provides classroom presentations and scenario-based training in the interception of narcotics. It outlines programs and techniques utilized to assist narcotic officers in developing partnerships with the business community in identifying violators who use legitimate businesses to facilitate narcotic trafficking. The course will outline comprehensive investigative techniques to identify behavior and conduct of the drug violator in various key settings, to include: hotels/motels, airports, commercial bus stations, parcel/package businesses, storage facilities, rental car agencies and train stations. The program also provides instruction in knock and talks, currency seizures, stash houses, and the role of the narcotic canine. Of special interest is a section which discusses the recognition of religious paraphernalia related to drug trafficking and its interdiction, as well as related case law. Off-site practical exercises will be used to reinforce these investigative techniques. In addition, it will provide legal foundation for the techniques, to include constitutional procedure, search and seizure, and Fourth Amendment issues.

Course Objectives

- Utilize investigative and knock and talk and consensual encounter techniques to initiate investigations.
- Identify the need for interdiction programs and what types would be most appropriate for individual jurisdictions.
- Identify required resources and equipment for a domestic drug interdiction program.
- Utilize business partnerships in drug interdiction programs.
- State the criteria for selecting personnel as well as recognize personnel considerations, including canine selection.
- State the procedures for search and seizure as well as the guidelines of the Fourth Amendment and the legal foundations for such practices.
- Utilize proper legal documentation and other documentation for courtroom testimony.
- Identify the indicators of a stash house as well as utilize community sources in the reporting of possible drug stash houses.
- Recognize religious paraphernalia related to drug trafficking, leading to further investigation.

Overview of topics

- Consensual Encounter Techniques
- Knock and Talks
- Hotel-Motel Interdiction
- Drug Parcel Interdiction
- Storage Unit Interdiction
- Commercial Bus Interdiction
- Airport Interdiction
- Train Interdiction
- Rental Vehicle Interdiction
- Stash House Interdiction
- Drug Trafficking and the Spiritual World

Additional Information:

There are no fees for this instruction. POST credit of 24 hours will be given. Follow all guidelines for outside training set by your department before enrolling in any HIDTA class.

Enroll online at www.atlantahidta.org. Confirmation notice will be sent by return email. It will contain a link to cancel if you are unable to attend after enrolling in the class.

Questions may be directed to Albert "Skip" Latson, Atlanta HIDTA Training Coordinator, at email alatson@atlantahidta.org.