

BASIC CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION

SHEFFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The number one reason why most crime scene investigations fail is because there was inadequate crime scene processing and analysis. Working a crime scene, whether major or minor, is a process that involves a wide range of skills. This 5-day course was developed as a refresher workshop for crime scene investigators, or for the new officer with limited exposure and experience in crime scene processing. The detection, collection, documentation, and preservation of physical evidence are key elements involved in every crime scene. This course will demonstrate and elaborate on techniques that may or may not have been acquired in the field, and will assist in developing new techniques in crime scene examinations. Forensic science is forever changing and improving, and new techniques and equipment are constantly being developed to assist the law enforcement officer with the challenges of the “every scene, every time” concept.



COURSE TOPICS:

- *Equipment & Safety
- *Crime Scene Management
- *Documentation: Photography, Note Taking, Searching, Sketching, Measurements
- *Physical Evidence Packaging
- *Evidence Detection, Documentation, Collection, and Preservation: Firearms, Biological, Microscopic Trace, Latent Print, Footwear and Tire Track Impression, Tool Mark and Bite Mark Impression
- *Bloodstain Pattern: Terms and Documentation
- *Bluestar Forensics Blood Detection
- *Report Writing and Courtroom Presentations

WHAT TO BRING TO THE COURSE:

Very casual attire and a digital camera with macro capabilities are preferred; however, 35mm camera may be used. A laptop computer for your tasks is also recommended.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This is a hands-on course that is specifically designed for crime scene officers with or without experience. This course is taught in a manner in which the crime scene officer can easily understand.

