



Nevada Department of
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Committee to Conduct an Interim Study of Issues Relating to Driving Under the Influence of Marijuana

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Law Enforcement Training Overview

There are three “levels” of training to detect and apprehend impaired drivers that are approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP).

- Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST).
- Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE).
- Drug Recognition Expert Course (DRE).

SFST Overview

Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST)

- Minimum of 24 hours.
- Optional 4 hour “introduction to Drugged Driving” session included in the lesson plan.
- SFST training is required in Nevada to obtain a POST category I Peace Officers Certification. It is now completed in basic POST academy.

ARIDE Overview

Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)

- 16 hours of training.
- Designed for officers who have successfully completed a NHTSA/IACP SFST training class.
- Designed to offer more than basic understanding of the impairing effects of drugs (illicit and licit), alcohol, and/or the combination of both.
- Since 2017 there have been at least 432 officers trained in ARIDE.

DRE Overview

Drug Recognition Expert Course (DRE)

- 72 classroom hours followed by certification training.
- Certification training consists of a minimum of 12 evaluations of people suspected to be under the influence of impairing substances.
- Officers must recertify every 2 years. During that time the officer must have completed 4 DRE evaluations, and attended a minimum of 8 hours of related continuing education.
- Since 2017 there have been 105 officers trained and certified as DRE's in Nevada.

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