

Welcome to our comprehensive three-day course designed to equip handlers and their K9s with the expertise needed to successfully locate suspects across various environments. Day 1 kicks off with an insightful lecture, setting the stage for understanding the core disciplines and objectives of the course. The latter part of Day 1 introduces hands-on urban tracking/trailing exercises with our K9 units in the field. Days 2 and 3 delve deep into handler training, laying a strong foundation for both handlers and their K9 partners.

Throughout the course, attendees will gain invaluable knowledge to enhance their K9 teams' capabilities and facilitate the training of other units. Topics covered include:

- Human odor vs Ground disturbance
- Characteristics of odor
- Environmental effects on odor
- Physical characteristics of a tracking/trailing K9
- Obtaining odor & avoiding distractions
- Protecting scent
- Articles
- Collecting and introducing scent
- Productive source areas
- Suspect containment
- Scent discrimination
- Contact points
- High hides
- Direct Scent vs Trail scent
- Active vs Passive scent pool
- Training for distractions
- Water crossings
- Tactics & Team movement
- Proximity alerts
- Contact plan

Our curriculum emphasizes various training methodologies tailored to elevate K9 performance, ensuring attendees leave with a toolkit to advance their K9 partners' skills. Join us for an immersive learning experience dedicated to empowering handlers in their pursuit of locating suspects with precision and efficiency.

Working spot: With a K9

Audit spot: Without a K9