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Canine Narcotics Detection Team

Week One

- I. Introduction (Everyday)
 - a. Objective of Course
 - b. Safety Guidelines

- II. Evaluation of Canine (First Day)
 - a. Drive and Ability for Detection Work
 - b. Passive Detection
 - c. Aggressive Detection

- III. Emergency Treatment and First Aid for Canines (First Day)
 - a. Location of Emergency Vet Clinics
 - b. Stimulants
 - c. Depressants
 - d. Doper House Chemical Dangers
 - i. Drano
 - ii. Lye
 - iii. Coolants
 - iv. Snail Bait

- IV. Training Aids
 - a. Evaluation of Training Aids (First Day)
 - i. Methamphetamine
 - ii. Heroin
 - iii. Marijuana
 - iv. Cocaine
 - v. Ecstasy
 - vi. Hashish
 - b. Storage of Training Aids (First Day)
 - i. Individual glass jars
 - ii. Locked carrying case
 - iii. Training aids log
 - c. Preparation of Training Aids (Everyday)
 - i. Proper wrapping
 - ii. Terry towels
 - iii. Cotton string

- V. Odors of Narcotics (Tuesday-Friday)
 - a. Introduction of Odors to Canine
 - b. Rewarding Canines for Odors
 - c. Searching for Odors



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- VI. Leash Control and Basic Search Patterns (Tuesday-Friday)
 - a. Loose leash
 - b. Be careful of inadvertent correction
 - c. Proper length leash
 - d. Proper presentation
 - e. Successful search patterns
 - i. Clockwise or counter clockwise
 - ii. Inverted "V" pattern
 - iii. Over presenting

- VII. Searching for Narcotics (Tuesday-Friday)
 - a. Simple Searches
 - b. Medium Searches
 - c. Vehicle Searches
 - d. Advanced Searches

- VIII. Training Records (Wednesday)
 - a. Why keep them?
 - b. What to record?
 - c. Who can see them?
 - d. Where to keep them?

Week Two

- I. Training Aids (Everyday)
 - a. Preparation of Training Aids
 - i. Safety check of training aids
 - 1. No punctures or tears
 - ii. No contamination
 - 1. canine saliva
 - 2. dirt
 - 3. grease
 - iii. No cross contamination

- II. Training Scenarios (Monday)
 - a. What do you want to accomplish?
 - b. Success of the canine
 - c. Safety

- III. Odors of Narcotics (Monday-Friday)
 - a. Introduction of Odors to Canine
 - b. Rewarding Canines for Odors
 - c. Searching for Odors



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- IV. Dynamics of Scent (Tuesday)
 - a. How scent travels?
 - b. Factors effecting scent
 - i. Open windows
 - ii. Air conditioners
 - iii. Quantity of narcotics
 - iv. Canine threshold

- V. Vehicle Searches (Wednesday)
 - a. Safety of occupants
 - b. Preparation of vehicle to be searched
 - c. Officer and Canine safety
 - d. Coupes
 - e. Sedans
 - f. Vans
 - g. Trucks
 - h. Search pattern around vehicles
 - i. Start point
 - ii. "W" pattern

- VI. Searching for Narcotics (Tuesday-Friday)
 - a. Simple Searches
 - b. Medium Searches
 - c. Advanced Searches

- VII. Parcel Searches (Friday)
 - a. Linear search
 - b. Room Search
 - c. Manipulation of parcel

Week Three

- I. Training Aids (Everyday)
 - d. Preparation of Training Aids
 - i. Safety check of training aids
 - 1. No punctures or tears
 - ii. No contamination
 - 1. canine saliva
 - 2. dirt
 - 3. grease
 - iii. No cross contamination
 - iv.



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- II. Open Area Searches (Monday, Tuesday and Friday)
 - a. Simple Searches
 - b. Medium Searches
 - c. Advanced Searches
 - d. Buried

- III. Building Searches (Wednesday-Friday)
 - a. Simple Searches
 - b. Medium Searches
 - c. Advanced Searches

Week Four

- I. Training Aids (Everyday)
 - e. Preparation of Training Aids
 - i. Safety check of training aids
 - 1. No punctures or tears
 - ii. No contamination
 - 1. canine saliva
 - 2. dirt
 - 3. grease
 - iii. No cross contamination
 - iv.

- II. Building Searches (Monday-Wednesday)
 - a. Simple Searches
 - b. Medium Searches
 - c. Advanced Searches

- III. Open Area Searches (Monday-Wednesday)
 - a. Simple Searches
 - e. Medium Searches
 - f. Advanced Searches
 - g. Buried

- IV. Report Writing (Monday)
 - a. Canine's experience and certifications
 - b. Search narrative
 - c. Proper alert narrative

- V. Demonstrations and Public Speaking (Monday)
 - a. Canine safety
 - b. Public safety
 - c. Demonstration scenarios



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- VI. Problem Solving (Tuesday)
 - a. Handler telegraphing
 - b. Rebound
 - c. Negative corrections
 - d. Tired canine

- V. Legal Update (Wednesday)
 - a. Current case law
 - b. Proper documentation
 - c. Search Warrants

- VI. POST Canine Team Evaluations (Thursday and Friday)
 - a. Building
 - b. Area
 - c. Vehicles