

Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST) Instructor Development

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DUI/SFST training plays an important role in removing impaired drivers from Washington State roadways. SFST training is the foundation of the DUI and DEC programs. To maintain and improve on the current impaired driving programs, it is strongly recommended that all practitioners of SFSTs receive consistent refresher training to maintain their proficiency in administering roadside field tests.

Subsequently, the Impaired Driving Section is seeking interested applicants to increase the state's cadre of SFST instructors. These instructors would be trained and qualified to teach the DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing curriculum. They would *not* have to attend DRE School as a prerequisite. SFST instructors would then be responsible to assist with the instruction of the full three day SFST/DUI Basic, the 4 hour SFST refresher classes, and the 40 hour SFST Instructor Development classes, that will be offered around the state.

The success of this program will only be as good as the instructors themselves so the following are some of the minimum requirements that prospective applicants will have to meet:

- Successful completion of the 24 hour NHTSA DUI Detection and SFST course
- Successful completion of the 16 hour A.R.I.D.E. course
- Current BAC operator permit
- Command Recommendation
- Prosecutor Recommendation
- Resume, to areas of interest relating to DUI/SFST

Maximum class size of 20

Class dates and Locations:

November 14-18th, 2011
Bellevue Police Department
450 110th Ave NE
Bellevue, WA 98004

Please ensure all officers have supervisor/command approval prior to submission.

Lodging and meals will be provided for those that qualify (living or residing outside a 50 mile radius of the training site).

For registration and further details please contact:

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