



Alabama Impaired Driving Enforcement Program



State of Alabama Drug Recognition Expert School Application

ALEA

301 South Ripley Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Application Instructions and Acceptance Criteria

1. Applications must be received within sixty (60) days of desired school date.
2. Handwritten applications will not be accepted. This application must be completed in electronic form except where a signature is required.
3. Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) is a mandatory prerequisite to the DRE School. You must have successfully completed the classroom version of the ARIDE course within the past 5 years. The online ARIDE course offered by NHTSA will not satisfy this requirement. Please provide the location of the course and dates of attendance in the boxes on the application.
4. Submit a letter of recommendation from a local prosecutor. May also submit additional letters of recommendation from other sources.
5. Submit at least two of your DUI arrest reports for review.
6. Candidates will be notified of their application status via email.
7. Applicants must be off of probation with their agency and must have at least two years of service as a certified law enforcement officer and be certified and proficient in administering Standardized Field Sobriety Tests.
8. Applicants must have reasonable background and experience level in investigating DUI cases.
9. All applications must have the required supervisory signatures.
10. Applications may be emailed or mailed via the United States Postal Service.
11. **Applicants found to have falsified information on this application before or after the course has started, will not be considered for enrollment or will be dismissed from the course.**
12. **Applicants must give permission for criminal and driving history check.**
13. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

*If you have any question please call the State Coordinator at:
(334)303-9164 or e-mail joseph.penton@alea.gov*



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ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE TYPED

Requested class: _____

Applicant Information:

ARIDE Training Completed

Dates: _____

Location: _____

Last Name		First Name		Rank	Badge/Employee #
Agency		County			
Work Address					
Work Telephone		E-Mail		Current Assignment (Patrol, Jail, etc.)	
Driver License Number		State		By checking this block you give the State Coordinator and DRE Oversight Committee permission to review your driving and criminal history. This application cannot be considered without this permission.	

Have you ever been arrested? _____

Total years you have served as a law enforcement officer: _____

Total number of years assigned to road patrol: _____

Date completed SFST training: _____

For the preceding twelve month period:

Number of tickets you wrote for DUI-Alcohol: _____

Number of tickets you wrote for DUI-Drugs: _____

Number of DUI arrests you assisted with (but did not write the tickets): _____

Summarize any formal education, work or practical experience, and training that may be related to, or may be of interest to, the DRE program (add additional sheets as necessary):

How do you expect DRE training to benefit you, your agency and your neighboring agencies? (use as much space as necessary):



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DRE Training is extremely demanding. To receive certification as a DRE, three phases of training must be completed: **Phase 1 and 2 (Academic/Classroom segment)** is held at a regional training location.

Phase One- DRE Pre-School is conducted over two days. The training includes the SFST proficiency test and one quiz where the student must achieve a minimum of 80% in order to continue to Phase two.

Phase Two- DRE Main School is conducted over seven days and will include courses in physiology, vital signs, standardized field sobriety testing (SFST), as well as extensive material on each of the seven drug categories of abuse. There will be four written quizzes and a Phase 2 Final Examination consisting of 100 questions. Students must achieve a minimum of 80% on the examinations and must demonstrate expert proficiency in administering SFST in order to progress to Phase Three.

Phase 3 DRE Field Certification: Upon successful completion of Phases 1 and 2, students will travel to the designated field certification site. Under the close supervision of DRE Instructors and the State Coordinator, students will complete evaluations on several drug impaired subjects. Each student is required to conduct a minimum of 12 drug influence evaluations. Each student must successfully be able to identify subjects under the influence of three of the seven drug categories. In addition, the student will maintain a progress log and a rolling log of these evaluations. The student will prepare and submit a curriculum vitae. At the conclusion of Field Certifications, students will participate in the Final Comprehensive Knowledge Examination and must receive a "pass" grade from 2 DRE Instructors and the State Coordinator. The Alabama Impaired Driving Enforcement Program is credentialed by The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and strictly adheres to the standards as set forth by IACP. DRE Certification is valid for two years and DRE's are required to conduct a minimum of four evaluations, submit a rolling log, and a current curriculum vitae every two years. Additionally Alabama State DRE's must attend eight hours of approved re-certification or in-service training every 2 years and conduct one evaluation with a DRE Instructor annually to maintain Certification.

Applicant Signature - By signing below, it is understood by the applicant that he/she has given permission to the DRE State Coordinator and Oversight Committee to review their driving and criminal history. It is further understood that any information on this application found to be false will result in expulsion from the program. The DRE Program is an advanced DUI enforcement program and therefore requires applicants to have above average character and strict compliance of impaired driving laws.

Applicant signature:		Date:	
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Application Approvals - By signing below, it is understood that Phase 1 & 2 of the DRE Training will be held at a regional training location within Alabama. Phase 3 will be conducted at a location determined by the state DRE Coordinator. The Alabama Impaired Driving Enforcement Program through ALEA will reimburse expenses related to airfare, lodging, meals and educational materials for Phase 3 through a grant from ADECA. The student, or their agency, is responsible for any travel or lodging costs associated with Phase 1 & 2.

REVIEWED AND SIGNED BY CHIEF, SHERIFF or SUPERVISOR:

Name of Supervisor			
Supervisor's signature:		Date:	
Position Title:			

INSTRUCTIONS: All applications must be typed and all information must be completed. Original Signatures must be on the application. Proof of your SFST Training must be attached. **If the application is not complete, it will be returned.** The completed application can be emailed or mailed via the United States Postal Service.

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Return the *completed and signed* application to:

**ALEA-Service Division
DRE Unit
301 South Ripley Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36104**

State Coordinator review:

Forwarded to DRE Oversight Committee on _____

Approved by State Coordinator: _____ Date: _____