



Alecto Forensics

Professional CSI Training Courses

**CSI Conversion / CSI Stage 2 Course
Overview**





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Course Outline

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This three-week course is designed to build upon the formal training gained by CSIs during VCSI or Stage 1 Initial training courses, and to utilise the professional experience they have gained in related roles.

Course Aim

This three-week course will provide a rapid refreshment on best practice approaches to basic evidence recovery before addressing more advanced issues of wider scene logistics and management. Intelligence gathering, assessment, and dissemination will be covered in detail. Videography, specialist imaging techniques and niche evidence recovery will be addressed, in addition to operation at CBRNe scenes. New and existing practical skills will be further assessed through a final courtroom exercise.

Intended Learning Outcomes

The successful completer should be able to:

- Understand basic forensic strategy formulation and the role of the CSI at serious and major crime.
- Prioritise welfare requirements and action dynamic risk assessments on developing crime scenes.
- Demonstrate a clearly established capability in identifying, seizing, packaging and storing core evidence types (powder and elimination fingerprints, DNA, trace material).
- Demonstrate the ability to select and safely operate appropriate alternative light sources for a range of evidence search procedures, and the ability to capture these lit scenes photographically.
- Understand the National Intelligence Model and appreciate the critical importance of intelligence gathering and assessment. Demonstrate interpersonal skills as part of an intelligence gathering exercise.
- Demonstrate the ability to produce clear, well-lit and well composed crime scene videos with a well-developed narrative of coverage. Demonstrate the ability to supplement these videos with live narrative feedback in a major incident briefing scenario.

- Develop and understanding of a range of niche evidence types (fire scene, firearms, ballistics, explosives, archaeology, anthropology, entomology, digital forensics). Understand the role of the CSI at scenes featuring these evidence types.
- Demonstrate appropriate mortuary conduct and operation.
- Gain an appreciation of the risks associated with a range of CBRNe crime scenes. Understand the role of the CSI at such scenes.
- Demonstrate a clear understanding of the role of the CSI in court.

Course Content

- Core evidence recovery skills refresher.
- Scene photography refresher; night photography; alternative light source photography.
- Welfare and forensic strategy on the major scene.
- The National Intelligence Model; Gathering, assessing and disseminating intelligence.
- Crime scene videography and drawn scene planning.
- Major Scene briefing.
- Niche evidence and scene awareness (fire scene, firearms, ballistics, explosives, pathology archaeology, anthropology, entomology).
- Digital forensics on the crime scene.
- CBRNe crime scenes.
- Statement writing and court department.

Assessment

This course will be rigorously assessed through continuous assessment in line with the Skills for Justice National Occupational Standards for Crime Scene Investigators. In addition, participants will be required to complete a final written examination and demonstrate engagement with the course syllabus and pass a linked scene practical, statement writing and courtroom presentation practical exercise.

Location, Accommodation & Subsistence

The course is run at Alecto's laboratory and training facility at the Shrivenham Hundred Business Park in Oxfordshire. Alecto has a custom-built training facility with simulated crime scene spaces and a dedicated outdoor space for external crime scenes and vehicle examination. We have access to local, high-quality accommodation if required.

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