

Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain of Custody

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Introduction

This Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain of Custody training course is ideal for law enforcement officers and staff who want to improve their ability to identify, secure, preserve, and manage crime scenes in order to maximize forensic opportunities and gather evidence with integrity. It will explain the significance of using a clear and robust methodology when examining crime scenes, as well as the roles and responsibilities of those involved in the investigation and how these fit into the overall criminal investigation at both strategic and tactical levels. It will provide information on cutting-edge forensic techniques while also demonstrating how effective cooperation and collaboration with other law enforcement partners, scientists, experts, the public, and the media can improve the outcomes.

This course will emphasize the significance of why and how a fully systematic and controlled process must be followed from the seizure and examination of exhibits discovered at crime scenes to their presentation in court. It will provide an enthralling, clear, and practical guide to extracting the most intelligence and evidence from a variety of scenes.

This training course will highlight:

- Importance of securing, preserving and examining crime scenes in a disciplined and methodical way
- Options available around scientific support, use of experts and modern forensic techniques so that crime scene opportunities are maximized
- Key roles played by those examining and managing crime scenes and their responsibilities within the overall investigation
- Importance of having the best-trained people with the right tools to harvest and deliver high-quality evidence
- Delivering the best judicial outcomes for victims of crime through harvesting and presenting at court forensic evidence that can be fully audited and which maintains complete integrity

Course Objectives of Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain

By the end of this training course, the participants will be able to:

- Explain and deliver best practices around effective crime scene management
- Understand the importance of crime scene security, use of effective cordons and other measures to reduce contamination
- Use advances in forensic science to support criminal investigations
- Identify the opportunities to maximize the gathering of forensic evidence

- Explain the benefits of delivering a fully auditable chain of custody for exhibits

Course Methodology of Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain

This Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain of Custody training course will have subjects presented in utilizing a variety of proven adult learning techniques, focused on case studies and best practices. This will include PowerPoint presentations, active participation in class practical cases followed by active group sessions, video materials, and tabletop activities.

Organizational Impact of Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain

The organization will acquire a thorough understanding of best practices around working in partnership with international law enforcement agencies to dismantle, disrupt, and prosecute transnational criminal activity.

Impact on the organization from the participants upon attending this training course includes the following:

- Establish a thorough foundation regarding the fundamentals and challenges of examining crime scenes
- Enhance the quality of evidence available to deliver successful prosecutions
- Improve the competence, capability, and performance of staff to secure, preserve, examine and manage crime scenes
- Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of investigating all crime types and getting value for money
- Enhance public trust and confidence in the organizations ability to investigate crime
- Develop robust structures, processes, and discipline around crime scene management

Personal Impact of Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain

This training course will personally benefit the participants to develop their understanding and knowledge by the following:

- Appreciating the importance of robust crime scene management processes
- Awareness of the key challenges and most effective ways of gathering forensic evidence
- Identifying scientists, experts and other supporting specialists that can maximize forensic intelligence and evidence gathering opportunities
- Understanding the processes and discipline required to deliver evidence harvested from a crime scene to court which can be fully audited and has certainty around its integrity
- The roles and responsibilities for all those engaged in the crime scene examination as well as overarching investigation
- Identifying modern forensic opportunities and techniques

Target Audience of Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain

This Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain of Custody training course is suitable for a wide range of law enforcement officers and staff engaged in the investigation of the crime of all descriptions.

This training course is a suitably wide range of professionals but will significantly benefit:

- Police Officers
- Prosecutors
- Security Services
- Immigration and Customs Officers
- Intelligence Practitioners and Managers
- Homicide, Kidnap and Rape Investigators
- Counter-Terrorism Investigators
- Serious and Organized Crime Investigators
- Any other agency tasked with investigating crime

Course Outline of Crime Scene Management and Evidential Chain

DAY 1

Crime Scene Basics

- Definition of a Crime Scene
- The Golden Hour period when immediately after a crime material is readily available in high volumes
- Building Blocks Preservation of Life, Preserve Scenes, Secure Evidence, Identify Victim, Identify Suspect
- Initial Response and Security
- Types of Intelligence and Evidence
- Sketch Plans, Photos, Videos, and Virtual Reconstructions

DAY 2

Crime Scene Management

- Roles and Responsibilities at Crime Scene

- Senior Investigating Officer, Crime Scene Investigator, Crime Scene Manager, and Crime Scene Coordinator
- Security and Contamination Cordons, Logs and Common Approach Paths
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) and Health & Safety
- Dealing with Multiple Crime Scenes

DAY 3

Forensic Evidence

- Methodology and Processes for Scene Examination
- Seizure and Documentation
- Fingerprints, DNA, Ballistics, Hairs, Fibers, Documents, and Digital Media (including Mobile Phones and Computers)
- Specialist Support Including Scientists and Other Experts (i.e., Pathologist, Biologist, Ballistic Expert, etc.)
- Types of Examination and Laboratories

DAY 4

Chain of Custody

- Chain of Custody Continuity Evidential Integrity Recording with Signatures of all Persons Handled or Examined the Evidence and Where Located
- Scene Appropriately Controlled, Protected and Managed
- Exhibits Correct Packaging, Labeling, Recording, and Retrieval
- Identification of Evidence, Location, Submission to Laboratory Forms
- Importance of Clearly Defined Standard Operating Procedures

DAY 5

Gathering Evidence and the Judicial Process

- Working with the Prosecutor and Preparing the Forensic Case
- Expert Evidence
- Suspect Admissions, Witness Testimony, and Forensic Evidence
- Court Presentation and Technical Support

- Confessions versus Forensic Evidence The Advantages and Disadvantages