

Northwest Illinois Criminal Justice Commission

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Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Refresher

DATE: May 9, 2025Registration Ends: April 25, 2025TIME: 8:00 AM—4:00 PM8 HoursLOCATION: Dekalb Police Department, 700 W. Lincoln Hwy., Dekalb, ILINSTRUCTOR: David Christiansen, Ari Briskman, Jennifer Cifaldi

Officers are encouraged to bring a tablet or laptop capable of connecting to WIFI

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Illinois SFST Refresher (8-hours)

Intended Audience

The SFST Refresher Training is for law enforcement officers at the Federal, State, county, and local level who have successfully completed the NHTSA/IACP-approved DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Training Program. This course satisfies the Illinois Department of Transportation Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant requirement of having an SFST refresher every four years from the date of their last completed certified training.

Purpose of the Training

The primary purpose the SFST Refresher Training Program is to improve the overall consistency of administration of the SFSTs by individual police officers. Officers can refresh their skills with:

- Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus, Walk and Turn, One Leg Stand
- Additional testing procedures
- Toxicology protocols
- DUI Report writing skills
- Case law update
- Understanding the warning to motorists
- Common DUI Defense techniques/court testimony
- Processing the DUI arrest

Officers will receive access to the dynamicimpairment.com Field Resource Database which contains DUI flowcharts, FAQs, sample reports, reference documents, NHTSA research documents, and more. This database can be accessed by officers on any device that has internet access. It is password protected. Officers will receive the DUI processing pocketbook.



David Christiansen and Ari Briskman are Standardized Field Sobriety Instructors and Drug Recognition Expert Instructors. Together, they have instructed thousands of officers throughout all of Illinois on impaired driving courses including Standardized Field Sobriety Testing, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement, Drug Recognition Expert, SFST/DRE Instructor and other courses. David and Ari are both certified Traffic Crash Reconstructionist. Jennifer Cifaldi is the Illinois Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor. Jennifer formerly served as an Assistant State's Attorney with the Adams County State's Attorney's Office where she developed their DUI search warrant program. Jennifer also developed the Illinois Law Enforcement Phlebotomy Program which has been successfully implemented by many law enforcement agencies in Illinois. She has trained over a thousand officers and state's attorneys on various impaired driving topics.

Partial funding provided by Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and MTU#1's request for certification of this
course has been approved by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board
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This training has been certified for the following mandates:

Civil Rights:	4 Hrs/2 hrs Scenario
Constitutional/Proper Use of LE Authority	2 Hrs
Legal Updates	2 Hrs