

Canine Training Outline

Canine Training Purpose:

The purpose of the training is to familiarize deputies with working with the canine team.

Training will include presentation of topics including when to request a canine, when the canine can be utilized, how to work with the canine, what to do and to avoid doing when around a canine, etc. After the presentation, the training will be based around a number of scenarios and live demonstration/trainings.

At the conclusion of the training, each deputy should feel comfortable on when they should request a canine and how to work with the canine team.

Equipment:

1. Gun belts. Handcuffs and handcuff keys. No guns, Tasers, or OC.
2. Standard canine and handler equipment

Policies, Codes, and Case Law discussed:

1. Policies-
 - a. Use of Force- Sheriff 300
 - b. Canine- Sheriff 309
2. Code-
 - a. PC 835a
3. Case Law-
 - a. Graham v. Conner
 - b. Robinette v. Barnes

Classroom Portion – Presentation:

1. Introduction to canine teams.
2. Policy, codes, and case law
3. Canine overview
4. Tactics (sworn LEO only)
5. Working with canine team
6. Searches
7. Video trainings

Scenario Based Training:

1. Live introduction to canines.
2. Hands on manipulation of decoy, simulating arresting suspect after canine has apprehended.
 - a. Canine "stapled" on bite.
3. Building search while canine is in muzzle.
 - a. Building comfort around canine while canine is searching.
 - b. "Muzzle Fight" with decoy.
4. Live building search.
 - a. Putting together the two above trainings.
 - b. Instructing proper tactics while covering canine team during building search.
5. Live area search.
 - a. Demonstrating canine tracking on area search.
 - i. Scent cone, wind direction, and origin of odor.
 - ii. Proper tactics while covering canine team during tracking on an area search.
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