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# Huffman K9 Train the Trainer Program

## Advanced Detection Seminar

The Huffman K9 Obedience Train-The-Trainer Program, is a multifaceted vocational school designed to train professional dog trainers for work in the consumer pet OR working dog industries. The HK9 Advanced Detection Seminar is one segment of the HK9 Train-The-Trainer Program open to the general public who are experienced detection handlers working experienced detection dogs, who are beyond the imprinting stage.

Date: May 26th and May 27th, 2023

**Duration**: 2days (16 hours)

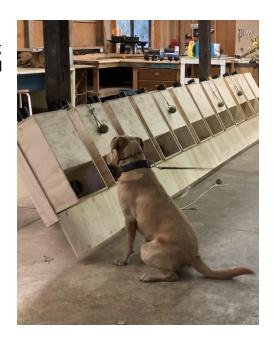
Cost: 300 USD Working Dog Spot / 150 USD Audit Spot

Location: Huffman K9 Obedience / 27320 S Pelican Ct., Canby OR 97013

Max Attendance: 10 Working Dog Students, Unlimited Audit

"We give them the toolbox, they'll decide what to use." – [grayscale]

Curriculum: This Huffman K9 Advanced Detection seminar will be an extension training course which goes beyond basic imprinting and begins to focus on working an already imprinted detection dog. The course will take place over two full days (Saturday July 31 and August 1st). This course is geared towards the professional K9 handler but is open to all detection dog enthusiasts. Students will learn from current and certified detection handlers, working in the real world and with real experiences.



The academics of this course, we will cover the following topics:

Canine behavior and foundational training techniques - The handler will be presented and taught the most current, up to date theories and industry practices for training, working and maintaining a detection dog.

- o Foundational obedience training for the working detection dog.
- Leash handling.
- o Scent and odor theory, understanding "odor".
- o Creating and maintaining stability for the working detection dog.
- o Various types of alerts, benefits and deficiencies of each.
- o Building and maintaining drive and work ethic in the detection dog.
- o Increasing obedience to odor, increasing working independence and preventing permissiveness in the working detection dog.
- *Handling the detection dog* Effective handling of the detection dog is paramount to ensure consistent and predictable working results.
  - o Leash handling during deployments.
  - o When to deploy the detection K9.
  - o Various deployment techniques, patterns and strategies to increase safety, efficiency, flexibility and effectiveness of the detection K9 team. This includes realistic scenario based training, preparing the handler and dog for working Urban, Sub-urban and wilderness environments.
  - o Deployment techniques for interior, open area and vehicle searches.
  - Identification of Changes Of Behavior (COBs), Alerts and odor recognition.
  - o Threat assessment, identification and response.
  - o Decision making techniques.
  - o Team attachment, team utilization.

Both days will start with a classroom discussion and a provided text / presentation of materials. The rest of the day will be dedicated to working directly with each handler and each dog present in the course on various "real" scenario based problems.. Each member of the course will have an opportunity to observe each of the other handlers and dogs - and be presented with an opportunity to learn from each other's successes and issues.

The Huffman K9 facility offers the students a 5



acre property, complete with 12 box "Hare" wall, a 36 foot scent wall, a fully furnished apartment dedicated to training indoor detection and apprehension dogs.



Huffman K9 Maintains the following Scents for training of detection dogs:

#### Narcotics:

- Synthetic (ScentLogix) Heroin
- Real Heroin
- Synthetic (ScentLogix) Meth
- Real Meth
- Synthetic (ScentLogix) Cocaine
- Real Cocaine
- Synthetic (ScentLogix) MDMA
- Real Marajuana
- Real narcotic paraphernalia

### Explosives:

- Synthetic (ScentLogix) RDX
- Synthetic (ScentLogix) PETN
- Synthetic (ScentLogix) TNT
- Synthetic (ScentLogix) Dynamite
- Real Potassium Nitrate
- Real Ammonium Nitrate
- Real Smokeless Powder
- Real (Mix / Fireworks)
- Real Black powder
- Real firearms



### **Equipment:**

- If different than above, please bring target odor for training of your dog.
- You will need a 6-foot leash leather or nylon. (Double end clasps are highly recommended)
- 30 ft Leash
- Pinch or Fur Saver / choke collar and a flat buckle 1 ½ inches or wider.
- Ecollar (if used as your standard equipment)
- Dog harnesses are optional but highly recommended.
- Footwear will need to have good traction (i.e. hiking boots, military footwear, cleats, etc.). Slick shoes or sandals are prohibited due to safety issues.
- A stainless steel or a collapsible dog bowl.
- Non-electronic note taking materials (phones are not permitted)
- Kong / Tug / Reward Toy (if used as standard equipment)
- Crate / Kennel / Auto Dog storage when not working

Please let the instructors know prior to the class so that it can be issued to you.

**Lodging:** Instructors will recommend places for students to get reasonable rates with larger breed dogs accompanying them prior to class. Please request a list if necessary.

**Registration & Payment:** All courses require pre-payment at time of registration. All courses have a limited number of students and courses are filled on a first-paid, first-trained basis. Huffman K9 will refund 100% of your payment if the course is canceled by our teachers; otherwise your payment is non-refundable.

#### **Class Ground Rules**

- Dogs will be secured on a lead at all times, unless told otherwise by an instructor.
- At no time will dogs interact and or touch one another during training hours.
- 3) When dogs are not training they are to be stored and secured at all times. There will be enough reps for every dog. No need to exhaust them by keeping them stemmed during other dogs sessions. This will support longevity and increase training value.



- 4) Dogs will not drink from the same water bowl, water will be provided on site but it is up to you to bring your bowl and water your dog accordingly.
- 5) Dogs will be fed a minimum of two hours before training starts and two hours after training in the evening. This helps to prevent the development of Gastric Dilatation and Volvulus Syndrome (GDV aka Bloat).
- 6) There will be a designated area to break dogs. Dogs will be broke prior to each training event. Please bring poop bags and clean up after your dog. There will be a specified trash bin for poop bags.

## **Contingency / Emergencies:**

There will be a cooler on the property; if we have a warm day it will be packed with ice sheets in case of a dog or handlers overheating. A medical coverage truck will be staged and prepared with a med-kit and a route to the nearest ER and 24-hour emergency vet clinic.

Primary driver will be Jensen

Primary medic will determine the morning of training.

Included in your training packet will be a printed out route to the nearest 24 vet and Emergency room. If you have a preference you may print your own and use that clinic.

If you have any further questions regarding the company and our services please do not hesitate to contact me.

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