

Advanced Roadside Impairment Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)

The **Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)** program was developed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) with input from the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Technical Advisory Panel (TAP) and the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police. ARIDE was created to address the gap in training between the Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) and the Drug Evaluation and Classification (DEC) Program.



ARIDE is intended to bridge the gap between these two programs by providing officers with general knowledge related to drug impairment and by promoting the use of DREs in states that have the DEC Program. One of the more significant aspects of ARIDE is its review and required student demonstration of the SFST proficiency requirements.

This course will train law enforcement officers, to observe, identify, and articulate the signs of impairment related to drugs, alcohol or a combination of both, in order to reduce the number of impaired drivers and impaired driving related traffic collisions. This course will train other criminal justice professionals (prosecutors, toxicologists, etc.) to understand the signs of impairment related to drugs, alcohol, or a combination of both and enable them to effectively work with law enforcement in order to reduce the number of impaired drivers and impaired driving related traffic collisions.

The ARIDE course is 16 hours of classroom instruction and includes the following:

- Review of NHTSA SFSTs
- Seven categories of drugs
- Signs and symptomology
- Physiology of drugs
- Courtroom testimony
- Report writing
- Drug combinations

Prerequisites:

Successful completion of a minimum of 16 hour P.O.S.T. approved and certified basic Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) course is recommended BUT NOT REQUIRED. Personnel must, however, have experience using the SFSTs to understand and complete the course. Additionally, in order to be considered for training in the ARIDE program, a person shall be employed under direct contact of a criminal justice agency or institution involved in providing training services to law enforcement agencies.

*****Effective June 1st, 2013, you are **REQUIRED** to have completed the IACP/NHTSA approved **SFST** Course **prior** to attending the ARIDE Course*****

Registration: [Complete the enrollment form on the CHP DRE webpage.](#)

- There is no registration fee to attend this course. This course is funded through the California Office of Traffic Safety DRE Grant.
- Class is held March 26 & 27 at Fresno Police Department Regional Training Center. 0800-1700 hrs.