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Green Lab

Volunteer Guidance Document



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Cannabis Training

Our goal is to help bridge the gap between law enforcement and the cannabis community by providing training on responsible cannabis consumption. By working together we can build positive relationships between the cannabis community and law enforcement.

What is a Green Lab?

When officers are taught how to recognize alcohol impairment, training often consists of “Wet Labs.” A wet lab is where volunteers are dosed with alcohol to various levels. The students administer sobriety tests on the volunteers to determine if the volunteers are impaired. This training helps officers identify and differentiate between those who have drunk alcohol and those under the influence of alcohol. A Green Lab works the same; however, cannabis is used in place of alcohol.



What is the purpose?

The purpose of a green lab is to teach officers the difference between someone who has used cannabis and someone who is impaired by cannabis. Think of it in terms of

alcohol. If someone drinks one drink (i.e., 12 oz of beer, 2 oz of liquor, 5 oz of wine), most likely that subject is not impaired to an unsafe degree. They may smell like alcohol, but that is not illegal. We want to teach officers to distinguish between someone who has used cannabis and someone who is impaired to an unsafe degree to operate a vehicle.

How does it work?

Officers will attend training throughout the day on cannabis impairment and techniques to recognize it.

1

Volunteers will dose themselves with marijuana or a cannabis infused-product.

This will take place under the strict supervision of assistant instructors. Volunteers will have their blood pressure, heart rate and pupils monitored throughout.

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Once dosing is complete, the volunteers will be escorted to the student classroom, where the students will administer a series of tests on volunteers.

The tests consist of walking a straight line, time estimation, standing on one leg, etc. The student groups will be rotated so they are able to observe each volunteer.

3

After testing, volunteers will self-administer a second dose of cannabis.

Assistant instructors will monitor this consumption. Once the second administration has been completed, the volunteers will return to the classroom to perform a series of tests once again. Once each group of students has completed the tests, the volunteers will be released from the training. If necessary, the host entity will provide the volunteers a ride home.

Volunteers will be monitored throughout the training. The amount of cannabis used, how it was used, and indicators of impairment will be recorded by the instructor. Later, all information will be reviewed with the students. Instructors will help determine if the volunteer was impaired to an unsafe degree to drive a vehicle.

How much cannabis do you use?



No volunteer will be asked to consume an amount of cannabis in which they do not feel comfortable. We understand dose amounts vary per volunteer. During the first administration of cannabis, we ask the volunteers consume less than their normal amount. During the second administration of cannabis, we ask the volunteer only to consume up to a "normal amount" for that person. The volunteer is free to stop the use of cannabis at any limit they feel comfortable and they will have no obligation to continue the consumption of cannabis.

Who provides the cannabis?

Unless allowed by law, the host agency does not provide volunteers cannabis. Cannabis is only allowed to be used by qualified volunteers. The host agency is not licensed to acquire, cultivate, sell, or transport marijuana. Each volunteer will be asked to bring their own cannabis in the original

dispensary container. All state laws and rules, and regulations governing the use of marijuana will be strictly adhered to. The cannabis shall be acquired and transported according to the state's marijuana program's rules and regulations.

Who can volunteer?

Any person who is 21 years of age or older may volunteer. Each volunteer will be asked to show a government-issued photo identification to show they are 21 years of age or older.



The volunteers will be asked to perform several physical tests throughout the training. The volunteers should keep in mind their ability to perform these tasks.

Why would you volunteer?

There are several reasons a consumer would volunteer.

01

There is an obvious disconnect between the cannabis community and law enforcement. By working alongside each other, we can help bridge this gap and establish a healthy relationship.

02

Impaired driving is a crime that affects us all. Most people know someone, or maybe they themselves have had their life impacted by an impaired driving incident. We can all agree safer roadways, fewer crashes and less people killed and injured is a positive outcome.

03

This is an opportunity not only for law enforcement to learn but for the volunteers as well. Often, people do not understand when they would be considered legally impaired. This is a great opportunity for the volunteers to understand what amount of cannabis would put them at risk of being arrested.

What is the next step?

1

If you are interested in volunteering, please email training@extract-ed.com your name and which location would be best for you to volunteer. We plan to conduct these trainings in the Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield, Columbia, and Cape Girardeau areas. We will build a list of volunteers as we continue to plan this training.



2

Once our training dates and locations are decided, we will contact you to verify the dates work for your schedule. Each training will accommodate 5-7 volunteers.



3

If the scheduled date and location work for you, we will arrange times and confirm specific information such as a:

- Normal dose amount.
- What type of cannabis you plan to consume and how do you plan to consume it.
- If you will have someone accompany to this training.

(Each volunteer may have on person accompany them to the training for transportation and educational purposes)

If you have any questions, you can contact us at



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