

United States Police Canine Association, Inc.

Explosive Detection Certified Training Grounds

A USPCA approved explosive detector training grounds must meet the following requirements:

1. Must be operated by a Law Enforcement Agency.
2. Explosive detection training grounds must be maintained and operated by a USPCA certified trainer. Resumes from each certified trainer will be submitted along with agency application.
3. Explosive detection training must use real explosives during the majority of training. During training, trainers may introduce NESST, Scent Logic or any other pseudo explosive products, so that these products may be issued after completing the approved basic training to eliminate handlers carrying real explosives for motivational training aids.
4. Explosives used during the imprinting phase of the training must come from the group of explosives listed in the explosive detector rules and regulations. Other explosive odors may be trained as needed.
 - A. TNT (military Block/Granular)
 - B. Chlorates/Nitrates (Powders)
 - C. RDX/PETN (Military/Commercial)
 - D. Dynamites (Military/Commercial)
5. Approved training facilities should have the following areas available for specific explosive training:
 - A. Buildings (office, schools, warehouses, etc) with a minimum of three rooms for room search testing
 - B. Vehicles (cars, trucks, etc) with a minimum of five vehicles for vehicle testing.
 - C. Floor space with a minimum of 1600 square feet (40x40) to accommodate the training for the ORT (Odor Recognition Test) and package test.(if approved).
 - D. Open areas – Grass, fields, woods, etc.
 - E. Other training venues to include, but not limited to: Mass transit (buses, trains, boats, planes), public arenas (stadiums, malls, theatres, conventions centers, etc).
6. In order to become certified, the applicant(s) must submit the application to the USPCA regional or district Executive Board. The Regional Executive Board must approve the application. A nationally certified chief judge must review and sign the application after inspecting the general areas claimed in the application. The application is then mailed to the chairperson of the National Training Grounds Committee. *See below
7. Certifications will be valid for five years. Renewal applications will be processed as original.

8. If the application is denied, the applicant will be notified within sixty days by the Committee Chairperson with a reason for denial.
9. Certification can be revoked or removed at any time for just cause after a full investigation and hearing by the USPCA National Executive Board.
10. Certification cannot be used for personal gain to the general public.

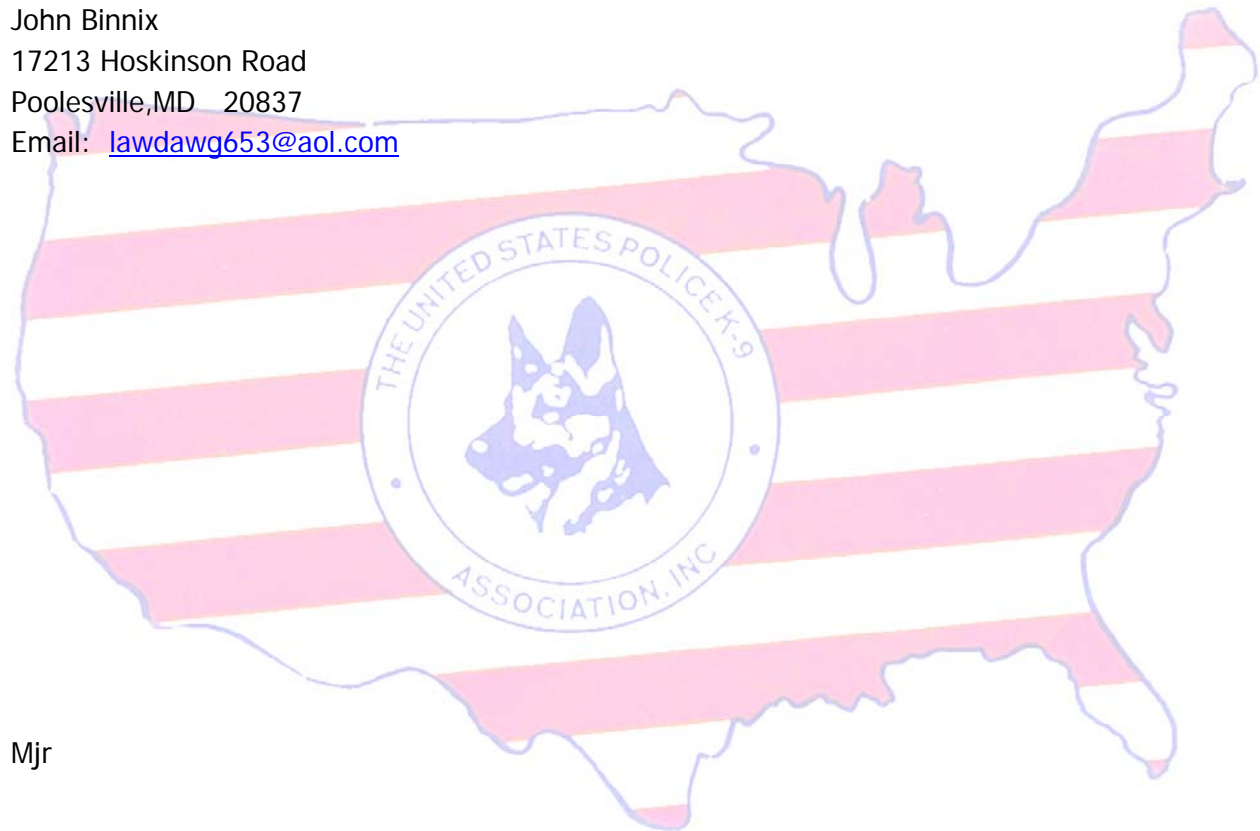
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