

POST Training Videos

California POST delivers high-quality, in-service and specialized training videos to law enforcement agencies in the California POST program. POST training videos are designed to assist law enforcement training managers and instructors in meeting specific training needs or legislative mandates for their agency. The two hour POST-certified videos are divided into short, roll-call length sections that may be presented over multiple training sessions. Most videos are eligible for two hours of Continuing Professional Training (CPT) credit.

What's New for 2016

2016 Legal Update Video Training - The 2016 Legal Update training program is available in mid-January on the POST Learning Portal. Users of the POST Learning Portal have 24/7 access to this annual training program, free of charge. The POST Learning Portal is at lp.post.ca.gov. The 2016 Legal Update training video segments may be viewed online or may be downloaded or burned to disc for later use during training sessions (POST no longer distributes this program on DVD). The program is also available for portable device viewing via the POST Media Bytes app. MediaBytes is available in both the Google Play Store and the Apple App Store. Installation is free; a POST Learning Portal user account is not required to use the app, but is needed to unlock certain videos. The companion 2016 Legal Update print Reference Guide (pdf) is available on the Learning Portal as well.

Case Law Today Discontinued - POST's monthly Case Law Today video series has been discontinued as of December 31, 2015. These segments are no longer available on the POST Learning Portal nor DVD-by-mail. For local law enforcement agencies that wish to continue with new monthly legal training episodes, the Golden West College Criminal Justice Training Center offers a similar video-based legal training resource at legalupdatestv.com. These short roll-call length video segments include expert insights on topics of civil liability, detention, evidence, interrogation, Miranda issues, search and seizure, search warrants, and vehicle stops.

General POST Training Video Information and Reminders

Training Videos Website - The website for POST Training Videos is at post.ca.gov/post-training-videos.aspx. Agencies should use the website for faster, convenient video program service.

Finding and Ordering Videos - Using the online POST Video Catalog at the POST Training Videos website, agencies may search for and order copies of previously released DVD videos anytime, free of charge. Training managers/supervisors simply register as a "new user" at the catalog and place orders there. They are shipped via First Class US Postal only to agency addresses and/or agencies in the POST Program (it takes approximately 3-5 business days for DVD delivery).

Video Distribution and Catalog Order Shipping - DVD video orders are screened and processed online by POST and then shipped from POST's video production and distribution facility in Carlsbad, CA. POST does not directly distribute video orders from its West Sacramento headquarters and does not take video orders via phone nor email. Agencies seeking POST videos must use the online POST Video Catalog. *POST videos are available to government law enforcement agencies only.*

New Training Video Releases - Whenever POST produces a NEW training video DVD, it is automatically sent to the training managers or supervisors at POST agencies. New titles are released about every 60-90 days. The DVDs come in a simple, white cardboard DVD mailer. Contact the POST Training Videos administrative offices (email preferred; see website) if you need to change the name on the DVD mailing label or change the quantity of DVDs that come in the mail automatically to your agency.

General POST Training Video Information and Reminders (cont.)

Video Program Guides – All POST training videos feature a companion Program Guide. This single-page PDF document provides the presenter with a brief summary of the program and shows the DVD menu items and segment contents on the DVD. Notations about the release date, ID number, CPT credit, viewing options, and other important program information are also included. Program Guides are listed alphabetically by video title at the video website.

Other Guides or Supplemental Print Materials – Most POST Training Videos produced after July 2012 feature a DVD hybrid disc containing printable facilitator and trainee documents. These “Facilitation Guide” and “Student Study Guide” documents are for instructor use only and are available only on the original DVD disc that is provided to presenters. See “Enhanced Training Video DVDs” below.

Enhanced Training Video DVDs – (July 2012 and later) The newer generation of POST Training Video DVDs have been redesigned to provide enhanced functionality and options for facilitators and individual trainees that include set-up questions, sample facilitation sessions/demonstrations, and interviews with subject matter resources that clarify and reiterate important teaching points. Two viewing modes are now offered: “Facilitated Group Course” or “Informational/Individual Viewing.” Additional “how to” instructions for facilitation and obtaining CPT credit are included on the DVD.

VHS vs. DVD Video Formats - Training videos from POST are currently on DVD disc format. Any POST videos on VHS videotape format should be immediately removed from agency training libraries and a confidential destruction of the videotape should be done (all VHS videos from POST are 12+ years old and discontinued).

Check Video Status Prior to Training Use – Agency training managers who wish to present POST training videos for CPT credit or to satisfy mandated training requirements must always check the POST Course Catalog (Multimedia Course section) and/or EDI to ensure that the DVD video is still certified for use and is listed. Videos that have been discontinued are removed from the POST Course Catalog and the online POST Video Catalog. The POST Course Catalog is online at catalog.post.ca.gov/MultiMedia.aspx

Special “Did You Know?” Informational Videos – The *Did You Know?* video series features short vignettes that inform and remind officers to always be vigilant in the delivery of exceptional police services while ensuring safety for themselves, their peers, and the citizens they serve. These dynamic and engaging videos are perfect for roll call and other briefing or training settings. The complete collection of videos may be viewed and downloaded from the POST Learning Portal.

POST Training Videos Online - Most POST videos are exclusively on DVD disc, but a limited number of POST-produced videos are offered on the POST Learning Portal, including the annual “Legal Update” training video and a collection of nearly 20 full-length Homeland Security training videos.

Questions About Video Presentations, Documentation, and CPT Credit - Check with your POST Regional Consultant in the POST Training Delivery Bureau at www.post.ca.gov/regional-training-map.aspx for assistance with questions about satisfying training requirements/mandates using POST videos, training video presenter certification, the POST Course Catalog and EDI system, how to report training video CPT credit, etc.

Questions About Video Distribution, Editorial Content – Contact POST Training Video staff in the Learning Technology Resources Bureau for questions about video distribution, technical troubleshooting with DVDs, or questions related to editorial content or printed resources for training videos. The website for POST Training Videos is at www.post.ca.gov/post-training-videos.aspx.