

*Are you prepared and ready to be a K9 supervisor?*

# Canine Supervision 365

*Being consistent, making good decisions and keeping proper documentation will limit your liability and make you a better K9 supervisor.*

## **Folsom, California** **December 6-8, 2021**

TO BE HELD IN COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 GUIDELINES

*Hosted by Folsom Police Department*



**Course Description:** Supervision of a law enforcement K9 unit nowadays is a full-time responsibility even when shared amongst others and it is required 365 days of the year. "Canine Supervision 365" is a 3-day (24 hours) comprehensive interactive course designed by K9 supervisors for K9 supervisors. Participants will learn from cases and incidents past and present as they are reviewed, discussed, and the lessons learned shared, and will include supervisor assessments of scenario-based training and "it's time to prepare a press release to explain a controversial video-taped incident" exercise.

K9 supervisors and K9 administrators from the same agency are encouraged to attend together so everyone involved with supervising their police dog program can simultaneously learn information and hear recommendations for successfully operating and evaluating their program to better understand each other's duties and responsibilities to reduce their risk and limit their liability.

The course topics will include:

- "Reasons We Get in Trouble"
- Policy & Operational Manuals
- "Case Law and Control"
- Selection and Retention
- Testing and Training
- Report writing
- "The Court of Public Opinion"
- Deployments and Debriefs
- Scenario-based training
- K9 Use of Force
- Performance evaluations
- Documentation

**Instructors:** Sergeant Bill Lewis II (Retired) has over 41 years of law enforcement and instructor experience, retiring from the Oxnard (CA) Police Department with over 27 years of service - and over 31 years of police K9-related experience. He was a K9 handler, K9 supervisor, and served on SWAT for over 25 years. He is a tactical instructor, consultant, expert K9 witness, the "Canine Liability 360" instructor, published author, certifying official for CNCA/CA POST, and former director for both the California Narcotic Canine Association (CNCA) and the California Association of Tactical Officers (CATO). Sergeant Lewis is the owner of Training and Consulting Team ("TAC Team") and facilitates the web site TacticalK9USA.com.

Sergeant Gregg Tawney (Retired) has 22 years in law enforcement and 30 years of police K9 training experience. He has been a K9 handler, K9 supervisor, and tactical operator and team leader on SWAT. He has instructed at K9 conferences throughout the country, published articles, and served as a consultant on K9 deployments. Sergeant Tawney is the owner of D-TAC K9 that provides maintenance training to over 20 law enforcement agencies and over 75 K9 teams in Northern California. He has served as the Vice President of the Western States Police Canine Association (WSPCA) and is a certifying official for WSPCA and POST. He is the owner and co-host of the "Police K9 Radio" podcast in which he interviews canine experts from around the world.

**Registration:** Course restricted to 24 law enforcement personnel on a first-come basis. Attendance may be increased later based on COVID restrictions so a waiting list will be established. Tuition is \$450.00 per person. **Registration deadline is November 5.** Reservations are made by email and must be confirmed prior to tuition payment. To make a reservation or request information, contact Bill Lewis II at [sgtblewis2@aol.com](mailto:sgtblewis2@aol.com).