

# Training Courses 2021

Lake Country Manufacturing UK Headquarters (KDS Keltec)

Unit 12, Railway St. Industrial Park, Gillingham, Kent ME71YQ



*Kelly Harris*

**GLOBAL DIRECTOR OF**

**TRAINING**



## The Lake Country Master Detailer course, with Kelly Harris

This is THE Master Detailer course, proudly brought to you by Lake Country Manufacturing and LC Power Tools. This is where all the myths are busted, and where common misconceptions about polishing, products and other detailing practices gets scrutinised and picked apart – by YOU - in front of your own eyes.

This is **four full days** of hands-on, in-depth tuition led by Kelly Harris (the ORIGINAL Master Detailer at KDS Keltec, now also Global Director of Training at Lake Country) with additional support from Jay Broom (long-term KDS detailer / customer manager, now also part of the Lake Country team) to maximise your progress.

This course is designed to massively improve your technical skills and knowledge across the entire detailing spectrum, up to the most advanced levels. Kelly has taught close to 150 pupils on this course in the last 10 years, and every single one of them has learnt more than they imagined they could – even existing professionals.

Many former pupils have gone on to have successful detailing businesses of their own, all around the world, using Kelly Harris's Master Detailing course as their starting point.

The course covers topics listed below, however questions on additional subjects will be welcomed.

- Washing and drying (pre-detail cleaning vs. maintenance wash)
- Engine bay cleaning and dressing
- Vehicle condition assessment, identifying defects
- Understanding paint technology and types of clearcoat
- Understanding/using a paint thickness gauge
- Paint decontamination and masking
- Polishing pad options and how to pick the right one
- Machine polishing techniques using 'orbital polishers' (incl. UDOS, Bigfoot etc)
- Machine polishing techniques using 'rotary polishers' (incl. UDOS, Flex etc)
- Advanced machine polishing, including using mini machines (incl. Flex PXE, iBrid etc)
- Sanding – when and why do we sand?
- Sanding by machine vs. sanding by hand
- Polishing assessment and understanding 'fake' vs 'true' correction
- Pad cleaning and maintenance
- How to get the best from waxes and sealants
- Nano-coatings / ceramic-coatings: how to apply them and what to expect
- Interior detailing methods – fabrics, leather, plastics
- Glass cleaning and treatments
- Exhaust / chrome treatments
- Trim treatments
- Stone chip repairs (simple touch ins vs. built up/lacquered/sanded)
- Glass scratch removal
- Aftercare guidance
- Vehicle handover (if appropriate)



## **Group training events (single day)**

Our group training days will advance your skills in a fun atmosphere, with peers of a similar skill and experience level around you. It's hands-on tuition from Kelly and Jay, learning the techniques that KDS use every week to achieve stunning results.

Group training days are aimed at three main skill levels. We have Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced Polishing days, and a separate group day available specifically about Wet Sanding too.

### **Beginner Polishing** (learning / improving fundamental skills with orbital polishers, including UDOS)

- Introductory session aimed at novices or hobbyists with 0-2 years' experience, DAS6 / Porter Cable owners, and those taking their first steps with machine polishers. Covers the basics of machine polishing (practical and theory), how to prepare for it, what to look out for, and how to polish safely.

### **Intermediate Polishing** (longer-throw orbital polishers, intro to rotary, UDOS and mini machines)

- Aimed at experienced hobbyists, valeters who want to become 'detailers', and those who want to deepen their knowledge and refine their techniques to a point where 'professional' correction is achievable. Covers higher-level correction and polishing theory, and how to get the best from powerful long throw polishers. Introduction to mini machines and rotary available for those who are ready to make that progression.

### **Advanced Polishing** (advanced orbital / rotary / UDOS, and mini machines)

- Aimed at professionals or skilled enthusiasts who demonstrate pre-existing competence. If you've reached your limit with a large-throw random orbital, if you're ready to learn how to use a rotary skilfully and efficiently, if you're working on intricate areas or specialist / high-end vehicles and need to use a mini polisher with confidence: this is the course for you.

### **Wet Sanding**

- Aimed at people with intermediate or advanced polishing abilities, who want to learn why and how we wet-sand paintwork to create mirror-sharp reflections.



## Course Dates / Availability / Rates

### **Lake Country Master Detailer course, with Kelly Harris (four full days):**

- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2021
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021

4 spaces available per course / \$2500 per person  
All pupils will have individual work stations and equipment

### **Beginner Polishing (single group day) course:**

- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
10 spaces available / \$200 per person

### **Intermediate Polishing (single group day) course:**

- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2021  
10 spaces available / \$200 per person

### **Advanced Polishing (single group day) course:**

- Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021  
5 spaces available / \$300 per person

### **Wet Sanding (single group day) course:**

- Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021  
5 spaces available / \$300 per person

*Lunch, refreshments and materials all included (all events)*

