

# MIDWEST COUNTERDRUG TRAINING CENTER

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#### **VIDEO SURVEILLANCE FOR DRUG AND BORDER INVESTIGATIONS**

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## REGISTRATION

This course is restricted to US military law enforcement personnel along with other local, state, and federal civilian law enforcement employees to include criminal analysts, and corrections officers.

THERE IS NO COST TO ATTEND THIS COURSE.

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This 3-day course teaches the techniques and skills needed to shoot Surveillance Video with camcorders and other video equipment. Students receive hands-on experience with state-of-the-art covert systems, focusing on both long-range and covert surveillance techniques. Students learn how to plan effective surveillance operations, develop situational awareness for safe practices, and receive guidance tailored to all experience levels- from beginners to seasoned videographers.

The program includes classroom instruction, practical exercises, and individual video reviews by the instructor.

#### **OPTIONAL STUDENT PROVIDED EQUIPMENT**

While not required, students are encouraged to bring agency-provided video cameras, night scopes or night recording devices, and covert audio and video recorders. The instructor will help students maximize their current equipment's recording capabilities.





## **TOPICS INCLUDED**

- -The Power Of Video As A Source Of Evidence
- -Introduction To Camcorders, Covert Cameras, Pole Cameras, And Digital Video Formats
- -The Elements Of Video Continuity
- -How To Document Surveillance
- -Automatic And Manual Focus
- -Optical And Digital Zoom

- -Safely Shooting Surveillance Video And Other Forms Of Uncontrolled Action
- -Low-Light Exterior Practical Exercises With Night Vision And Ir Illumination Devices
- -Recording Quality Audio From Covert Body Receivers And Other Audio Sources
- -Using Interchangeable (35mm Format) Video Lenses With Compatible Video Cameras