

Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)



**Washington State Patrol
Impaired Driving Section
Drug Evaluation and Classification Program**

16 hour instruction in Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) is intended to assist law enforcement officers to enhance proficiency in detecting, apprehending, testing and prosecuting impaired drivers.

Upon successful completion, participants will be able to recognize that an individual may be under the influence of a drug or drugs, other than alcohol, or under the combined influence of alcohol and other drugs, or suffering from some injury or illness that produces signs similar to alcohol/drug impairment.

ARIDE bridges the gap between Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) and the roles and responsibilities of the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE). This course does not certify an officer as a DRE. For those interested in becoming a DRE, this course is required.

Prerequisite: Students should be a state certified or commissioned law enforcement officer in a full time paid capacity and be SFST trained. Reserve officers will be allowed to attend if SFST trained.

Required: Participants will be required to complete an SFST proficiency test on the first day of class. If you are normally allowed to use the tri-fold SFST card during a DUI stop, you may use them during the test.

If space permits, prosecutors, toxicologists, parole and probation officers are allowed to audit this course. This training will aid their understanding of the signs of impairment related to drugs, alcohol or a combination of both, but it will not qualify these individuals with SFST proficiency.

COST: FREE

Class Date and Time:

October 23-24, 2025; 0800-1700

Location:

Whatcom County EOC
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