



Canine Week 2022

State Preparedness Training Center • April 26-29 Invitation and Registration Information

The Event

The State Preparedness Training Center (SPTC) is pleased to release the invitation and registration information for the second annual Canine Week. This event will be conducted on April 26-29, 2022, in Oriskany. Canine Week will bring together nearly 50 Explosive Detection Canine (EDC) Teams from across New York State to participate in hands-on, scenario-based training.

EDC Teams remain a critical component of New York State's strategy to prevent and deter acts of terrorism. Canine Week will allow EDC Teams to participate in high-impact training, based on the current threat environment.

The Basics

- **When: Tuesday, April 26 – Friday, April 29, 2022**
 - o Check-In at the SPTC will occur between 8:30am-10:00am on Tuesday, April 26. The SPTC will cover lodging for qualified participants the night of April 25. Please see the lodging section below for additional details.
 - o The event will conclude by mid-day on April 29.
- **Where: State Preparedness Training Center (SPTC) in Oriskany, New York**
 - o The SPTC is located at 5900 Airport Road, Oriskany, NY 13424.
- **Who: Up to 3 EDC Teams per Law Enforcement Agency in New York State**

- **Costs: No costs for New York State Participants.**
 - o Lunch and lodging (if qualified) will be provided.
 - o Overtime/Backfill costs and other expenses may be allowable under federal homeland security grants provided by DHSES. Please contact your DHSES Grants Contracts Representative if you are interested in using funds for this purpose.
- **Questions: Please contact or Meghan Dudley (meghan.dudley@dhSES.ny.gov) or Robert DellaRocco (robert.dellarocco@dhSES.ny.gov).**

Registration

- Please register online via Survey Monkey using the following link:
<https://www.research.net/r/2022CanineWeekRegistration>
- Registrations must be submitted by March 31, 2022. All participants should register using the link above.
- The SPTC will select participants for this event and notifications will be made the week of April 4. A wait list will be established after initial selections are made.

Lodging

- You are eligible for lodging through the SPTC if your residence and official work station are more than 50 miles from the SPTC and you are a State or local agency first responder.
- Lodging will be offered the nights of April 25, 26, 27, and 28 in the Utica area.
- Important Note: The SPTC will reach out to approved participants under separate cover and provide you instructions on how to make your hotel reservations. Please wait for receipt of your confirmation email from the SPTC (the week of April 4) before making your hotel reservations.

Meals

- The SPTC will provide lunch on April 26, 27, 28, and 29.
- No dinners will be provided.

Training Highlights

- EDC Teams will rotate through eight cutting-edge, contemporary training lanes at this event:
 - o Effective Parking Lot Searches
 - o Street Clearing Fundamentals
 - o Search Pattern Strategies
 - o The Use of EDC Teams in School Safety Events
 - o HazMat Decontamination for EDC Teams
 - o Post-Blast Practices for EDC Teams
 - o Odor Recognition Testing through the ATF
 - o Stadium Searches
- The event will conclude with a Capstone Scenario on April 29 which involves the response of all participating teams to a Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack. The Capstone Scenario will leverage the entire grounds of the SPTC.
- Canine Week will reinforce training objectives highlighted during the annual “Excelsior Challenge” at the SPTC and the “Explosive Detection Canine Handlers Conference” hosted by DHSES in Saratoga Springs each year.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2022 Canine Week!