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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY SAFETY OFFICE

BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING (BAT) MOBILE PROGRAM

The BAT Mobile is a highly specialized breath alcohol testing vehicle used to support law enforcement agencies in conducting safe, efficient and Constitutional sobriety checkpoints.



HIGHLY VISIBLE ENFORCEMENT DETERS IMPAIRED DRIVING

BAT MOBILE FEATURES

- DAX Wireless Recording System (HGN, LOC, Pupil RTL)
- Stabilized, level, climate-controlled
 SFST testing environment with digital audio/visual recording
- On-board breath alcohol testing with validated results within 30 minutes of first contact
- Designated DRE evaluation area
- Recorded 360-degree coverage of exterior checkpoint activity
- LED message boards for traffic control, LED warning flares, portable stop signs, speed bumps and high visibility traffic cones

PUBLIC AWARENESS

The presence of the BAT Mobile at sobriety checkpoints is intended to increase the perceived risk of detection and apprehension among impaired drivers. The intention of advance advertisement of sobriety checkpoints and high visibility enforcement is to compel impaired motorists to choose alternative forms of transportation.

The BAT Mobile is also a public information tool used to combat impaired driving through education. The BAT Program Instructor travels throughout the state of Arkansas to give presentations about impaired driving enforcement at community events, public schools, colleges and conferences.

The BAT Mobile is available to law enforcement agencies and public organizations throughout the state of Arkansas at no cost.

TRAINING

CLEST Certified Instructor Staff

CLEST Certified Courses:

Sobriety Checkpoint Technician – This four (4) hour lecture and practical course details the Constitutional and safe usage of sobriety checkpoints. Topics include: current case law, required documentation, equipment requirements, proper site selection, departmental policies, briefing requirements, public and media relations.

DWI Detection & SFST – This twenty-four (24) hour course will train the officer in the detection of impaired drivers along with the proper procedures for building an evidentiary case for court appearances. In addition, this course will include National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) requirements for the administration of Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST).

SFST Refresher – This four (4) hour course will review practical SFST administrative procedures and legal updates.

