

NORTHERN ILLINOIS TRAINING ADVISORY BOARD

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**ISP: ELECTRONIC CRIMINAL SURVEILLANCE OFFICER
CERTIFICATION**

Date: September 11, 2025 **Registration Deadline: August 11, 2025**

Times: 0900-1700 hours

Location: NITAB
527 Colman Center Drive
Rockford, IL

Instructor: Randall Copsey – Illinois State Police

Member Fee: \$0 Non-Member & Member Non-Sworn Fee: \$150

Unit Preparation

- A. **COURSE TITLE:** Electronic Criminal Surveillance Officer (ECSO)
- B. **COURSE LENGTH:** 8 hours **INSTRUCTORS:** TBD
- C. **PRESENTED TO:** Full-Time, non-probationary Federal, State, County, and Municipal, law enforcement officers preparing for active monitoring of non-consensual overhear operations.
- D. **CLASSROOM LOCATION:** Northern Illinois Training Advisory Board, 527 Colman Center Drive, Rockford, Illinois 61108
- E. **Student Materials**
 - a. Handouts
 - b. Paper and pen
- F. **METHOD OF INSTRUCTION:**
 - 1. Lecture
 - 2. Hands-on practical exercises
 - 3. Final written test

COURSE GOALS

This course is designed to prepare law enforcement officers in the legal, technical, and practical aspects of the interception of private communications and related investigation and prosecution techniques.

STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

Understand the requirements for participating in a non-consensual intercept (725 ILCS 5/108B)

1. Understand a basic understanding of the Illinois Eavesdropping Statutes.
2. Understand the differences between Federal Title III and the Illinois Statute.
3. Understand listening post requirements.
4. Understand the proper documentation and evidence handling procedures.
5. Understand minimization pertaining to communication interception.
6. Understand the technical aspects of communication interception.
7. Participation in a practical exercise

I. LEGAL REVIEW

A. Federal Law

1. Background
2. Title III

B. Illinois Law

1. 720 ILCS 5/14-1 Eavesdropping Definitions
2. 725 ILCS 5/108A Judicial Supervision of the Use of Eavesdropping Devices
3. 725 ILCS 5/108B Electronic Criminal Surveillance Illinois State Police ECSO Instructor

C. Illinois Administrative Code

1. 20 ILL Administrative Code 1295 Certification and Training of Electronic Criminal Surveillance Officers. II.

II. TECHNICAL ASPECTS

- A Electrical Fundamentals
- B. The Telephone System
- C. CALEA based intercepts

III. DIALED NUMBER RECORDER/PEN REGISTER

- A. Investigative uses of a DNR/Pen
- B. DNR/Pen operation
- C. Appearance Points
- D. Wireroom Maintenance / Troubleshooting

IV. OTHER TECHNOLOGIES

A. Surveillance Equipment

V. DIGITAL RECORDING MEDIA

A. Digital recording media must have write-protection capability

1. Types of digital media
2. Digital media care

VI. PRACTICAL ASPECTS

A. Pre-Planning

B. Entities involved and their responsibilities.

1. Chief Judge
2. State's Attorney
3. Telephone Carrier Illinois State Police ECSO Instructor
4. Technical Investigation Personnel
5. Intelligence Personnel
6. Office Services
7. Evidence Custodians
8. Foreign Language Interpreters

C. Logistical considerations

1. Staffing
2. Equipment
3. Office supplies
4. Communications
5. Surveillance

VII. LOGS/EVIDENCE HANDLING

- A. 20 ILL Administrative Code 1295.70 1. Evidence handling procedures

VIII. PRACTICAL EXERCISES

- A. Minimization practical exercise (samples of intercepted calls)

IX. REVIEW FOR EXAM

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This course has been certified by the ILETSB and approved to meet the following mandates:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1.0 Civil Rights | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5.0 Constitutional & Proper Use of Law Enforcement Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Intervention | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Competency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Medical Response | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Rights |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1.0 Legal Updates | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer Wellness and Mental Health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Procedural Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology of Domestic Violence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Response |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use of Force | <input type="checkbox"/> De-Escalation Techniques |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High-Risk Traffic Stops | <input type="checkbox"/> Law concerning stops, searches, and use of force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Officer Safety Techniques | <input type="checkbox"/> Firearms Restraining Order Act |

Specialized Training

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Intervention Team Training (CIT) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8.0 Lead Homicide Investigator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School Resource Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault Investigator Training |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Epinephrine Autoinjector (Epi Pen) | <input type="checkbox"/> Opioid Antagonist (NARCAN) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active Threat Response | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer & Youth Interaction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Law | |

To receive a State Certificate / training credit for the above listed mandates, no more than 10% of the course hours can be missed.