

**1 DAY
FIREARMS
ENQUIRY
OFFICERS
COURSE
(HOME VISITS)**

Introduction

A must for firearms enquiries officers, the course is designed to cover aspects of home visits and the inspection issues relating to grant and renewal of shot gun and firearm certificates.

The course covers topics listed in the agenda below, there will be three “visits” set up for practical inspections, which will contain many “reportable offences” that will be discussed in a group wash up.

The course will be of use to new enquiries officers as well as those more experienced, questions on all aspects of firearms and ammunition are welcome and can be answered by our staff who are subject matter experts.

Agenda

- Gun handling (safety)
- Gun serial numbers
- Firearms categories
- Certificate entries
- Ammunition recognition
- Security cabinets
- Sound moderators & flash eliminators
- Group discussion

Course Instructors

The principal course instructors at Helston Forensics have in excess of 100 years of professional experience between them, that experience is current and covers all types of firearms: sporting, law-enforcement and military.

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Is the preeminent privately operated technical firearms training provider in Europe with unparalleled facilities at its premises in Cornwall.

Notes

1. The course duration will be 09:00-17:30.
2. Refreshments and lunch to be provided.
3. Assistance with hotel bookings will be available from our office staff.
4. This is a CPD-related course. This can contribute to your Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and will be evidenced through multiple-choice summative assessment and the award of a course completion certificate.



Section 1 and 2 – sometimes obvious, occasionally not so. Magazine restrictions on shot guns can be checked with a simple tool



Sound moderators – are they firearms? When do they need to be recorded on a Firearms Certificate, do they need to be proofed? What about calibre? The same goes for flash eliminators



Gun cabinet location and fixing methods are discussed. Access to keys, and other sensible security issues



Certificate entries must be accurate and up to date



Serial numbers in various locations on different firearms. Some have NVN recorded in the register, occasionally proof mark numbers are mistaken for serial numbers



Some parts need to be removed, turned over or manipulated to find the serial number



Gun handling skills are required when examining to make sure the weapon is safe to handle, you are expected to know how to check a weapon is safe and where to look for serial numbers



Air gun types, legal limits, section 1, 5, is it loaded? How does it operate? A range of air rifles and pistols will be available for examination, with instructions on how to handle them

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