

## **Sacramento Police Department After-Academy Training Course**

### **Course Title: K-9 Unit Familiarization and Building Searches**

**Course Description:** To provide the basic knowledge of how police K9's operate and how to effectively and safely utilize K9 as a resource during your daily activities as a police officer.

**Course Objective:** Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- Know when and how to request K9 for assistance
- Learn how to establish perimeters around buildings and neighborhoods
- Knowledge of suspect tactics
- How to act as a K9 cover officer during building and area searches
- Helpful information for K9 handlers
- Explain the K9 Unit's responsibilities
- Community Outreach
- Understand benefits and limitations of a police K9
- Demonstrate an understanding of Federal Law, existing case law, state law, and department policy on the use of force as it relates to K9
- Demonstrate an understanding and the lawful requirement for after care following a K9 apprehension
- How to properly document a K9 apprehension in a police report

### **Representative Methods of Evaluation:**

- Lecture
- Practical Exercises
- Demonstrations
- Observing