Wisconsin State Patrol Academy

Advanced Traffic Law

DATES:

October 4, 2027 to
October 8, 2027

TIME:

8:00am to 4:30pm Daily

PROGRAM LENGTH:

40 hours

COST:

Class only – **$ 185.00**

Includes only attendance to class (no meals or lodging)

Commuter Cost – **$ 250.00**

Includes tuition and noon meals

Resident Cost – **$ 610.00**

***Includes** tuition, meals, and lodging*

Additional nights lodging and meals can be obtained upon request.

MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT:

40

INSTRUCTOR/VENDOR:

Wisconsin State Patrol Academy

PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

September 13, 2027

COURSE OVERVIEW:

Are you looking to become a master at traffic law? This course is designed to build upon basic traffic enforcement skills learned during the DOJ's 720-hour Police Academy. It is primarily intended to provide enhanced skills and increased efficiency for those officers who already conduct traffic enforcement measures. Students can expect an exhaustive look into traffic related statutes, discussion on optimum enforcement strategies, and recognition of contributing factors and/or common violations precipitating traffic crashes.

This course deals only peripherally with Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) operations and Chapter 348 (Size, Weight, and Load). Those topics are covered more comprehensively in our sister program "Motor Carrier Enforcement (Truck Law)."

TOPIC OF INSTRUCTION:

- Why Enforce Traffic Laws?
- Anatomy of a Statute / Chapter 340 Definitions
- Chapter 110 Motor Vehicles / Authority, Powers, and Duties
- Chapter 341 Registration of Vehicles
- Chapter 343 Operators' Licenses
- Chapter 344 Financial Responsibility
- Chapter 346 Rules of the Road
- Chapter 347 Equipment of Vehicles
- Chapter 348 Size, Weight, and Load (limited coverage)
- Trans. 305 Standards for Vehicle Equipment
- Relevant Caselaw / Legal update

PREREQUISITES:

This course has no prerequisites.

ITEMS TO BRING:

A computer is highly recommended as much of the material will be conducted utilizing online resources (statutes).

Registration and Contact Information:

You can register for this course here: Wisconsin State Patrol Academy Course Registration.
If you have any questions, please contact the designated program director.