



2026 MIST Course Descriptions

26-001 Legal Updates (Required):

This three-hour course that will review recent statutory changes to the Pennsylvania Crimes Code, Vehicle Code, and Rules of Criminal Procedures that were communicated via TACS throughout the calendar year to officers. The course will also highlight pertinent court decisions and significant pieces of legislation that affect police operations and investigations from Pennsylvania's Commonwealth, Superior and Supreme Courts, various Federal Courts, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

26-002 - Crisis Intervention Training (Required):

This three-hour course will provide officers with the understanding and resources to effectively de-escalate interactions with those suffering from mental illnesses. Officers will learn more effective problem-solving techniques to promote positive outcomes when responding to high intensity incidents.

26-003 - Trauma Informed Policing (Elective):

This three-hour course will train officers to understand how trauma impacts victims as well as the officers themselves. It will provide tools to better establish trust and rapport with their community all while providing more effective policing. It will also empower officers to better understand how repeated exposure to trauma impacts them and resources to work through the issues.

26-004 - Responding to Child Abuse allegations (Elective):

This course will provide the officers with the basic tools to recognize and triage an initial report of physical or sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, or criminal neglect of a child. Officers will understand how to ensure the safety of the child and preservation of potential evidence as well as what resources are available for further investigation.