

Virginia Impaired Driving Programs

Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)

& Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)

Captain Julia Gunderson August 19, 2025

Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)

Drug Recognition Expert Certification (3 weeks)

- 2023 2 schools conducted
 - Certified 16 DREs
- 2023 DRE Instructor School with 4 students
 - Currently, we have 12 Certified DRE Instructors
- 2024 2 schools conducted
 - Certified 19 DREs
- 2025 Completed one school
 - Certified 9 DREs
- Next DRE School scheduled Sept. 7-19 & Oct. 5-12
 - 10 Officers scheduled to attend

70 Certified DREs

12 Certified DRE Instructors

24 Agencies

2 Schools per year



Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)

ARIDE Training (2 DAYS)

- 2023 9 classes conducted
 - Trained 220 officers
 - VSP, Bristol, Roanoke, & Williamsburg
- 2024 14 classes conducted
 - Trained 320 officers
 - VSP, Fairfax, Roanoke, & Suffolk
- 2025 7 classes conducted
 - Trained 201 officers
 - VSP, Fairfax, & Bristol
 - Suffolk scheduled for later in 2025
- Every VSP Basic Session since the 138th is provided ARIDE training

Open to all LE agencies

Across the Commonwealth

No Cost

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Impaired Driver Training Unit (IDTU)

- Unit comprised of a First Sergeant and 3 Sergeants
 - Eastern and Western regions
- Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) General,
 Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFST), & DRE instructors
 - To instruct SFST, SFST Instructor School, ARIDE, & DRE
- Regionally based
 - To provide minimal travel to and from training

