

# Crime Scene Manager Training Course



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A joint Forensic Access and South West Forensics course, featuring immersive Hydra Suite simulations.



## Overview

A two-week programme introducing the role of Crime Scene Managers (CSMs) and the structure of major incident investigation. This course combines classroom learning with realistic Hydra Suite simulation exercises.



## Who is this Course for?

Designed for new Crime Scene Managers or experienced Crime Scene Investigators (CSI) preparing to take on CSM duties, as well as those looking to refresh their leadership and decision-making skills.



## Course Modules

- Scene Management Principles
- Direction and Briefing of CSIs and Forensic Scientists at Major Scenes
- ISO Standards
- Leadership and Management
- Role of the SIO
- Kidnap and Murder Investigations
- Niche Evidence and Scene Awareness
- Hydra Suite Scenario Exercises
- Formative and Assessed Simulated Major Crime Scenes

**2 WEEK**  
TRAINING COURSE



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## Course Aims

- 1.** Provide an understanding of the role of the CSM and its relation to other key investigative roles.
- 2.** Develop advanced CSM skills, including major scene awareness and strategic decision-making tools.
- 3.** Use immersive Hydra Suite simulations to apply learning in realistic, high-stakes scenarios.
- 4.** Teach the production of major crime logs, direction of CSI staff, and management of forensic scientists.



## Course Learning Outcomes

- Understand the role of the CSM and its relation to other key police roles.
- Appreciate the variation in major crime logs across UK police forces and gain confidence in completing them.
- Understand the role of the SIO in major incidents.
- Understand the legal basis of warrants and disclosure.
- Gain tools for planning, strategy, communication, and briefing.
- Understand the National Intelligence Model and the importance of intelligence gathering and assessment.
- Gain practical experience in directing CSIs and managing forensic scientists on major crime scenes.
- Develop awareness of niche evidence types (fire scenes, victim recovery dogs, firearms, drugs, ecology).

**Contact our Training & Events team to book your place.**

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