

indicate they are operating a vehicle with a hidden compartment. Thirdly, they should know where to look on the vehicle and in residences to find these hidden compartments.

Such course is a good help for every officer that works on the road and every detective that serves search warrants. The officers should also know the physical indicators and verbal clues used by individuals concealing illicit contraband. The course allows the officers to see the mechanics of these compartments through the use of lecture, video and hands on inspection of actual concealed compartments in vehicles, furniture and household items. It is designed to familiarize the officers with many types of concealment and it covers both commercially available items as well as custom manufactured compartments.

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COMMUNICATION SKILLS AS A GUARANTEE OF SUCCESSFUL PATROL ACTIVITY

The experts affirm patrol police activity has communicative and humanistic nature. The ability to communicate is a necessary element of patrol service in many countries abroad. Much attention is paid to the problem of police and population interaction in Great Britain and the United States. More than two hundred cities in the United States programs are being carried out for the police patrol service. They are aimed to provide active police cooperation with the population. Program “Stop, Go and Talk” in Dallas says that a policeman should stop his car for 30 minutes while patrolling the zone and talk with the members of the public: explain to the teenagers the operation of patrol car radio; attend citizens’ meetings as well as community and medical centers.

More than fifty per cent of US police work is a routine day-to-day activity aimed at protecting public order and security, detecting, and preventing offenses. Such a system involves a policeman permanent presence in the service area preferably on foot to establish close interaction with the population in order to prevent crimes. Such programs give the opportunity to share concerns, respect and trust the police. There such things which can never be said on the phone but only in one-on-one conversation. Thus, the police become a body of social assistance to the

public as municipal policing is aimed at involving the population in preventive work and positive police image among the public increases. In order to improve the skills of the patrol activity police departments organize regular seminars at which patrol officers discuss the ways to resolve conflicts in various life situations. The ability to communicate with people with patience and self-confidence is the basis of successful work of policemen. The results of the programs show changes in citizens' attitude to the police.

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SPECIFIC FEATURES OF EGYPTIAN PATROL POLICE

The Egyptian National Police is the law enforcement body of Egypt. It was set up in 1883, trained and staffed by British officials.

Nowadays national police in Egypt have a wide variety of functions and responsibilities. They are responsible for maintaining law and order, preventing and detecting crime, controlling traffic, guarding special events, suppressing smuggling and black marketing, preventing political subversion and participating in civil defense.

Nowadays patrol police have modern facilities and equipment. They use a variety of vehicles and it is no more a usual thing to see an officer on foot patrol. An exception is the Tourism and Antiquities Police patrolling every single place commonly visited by tourists: museums, hotels, the Great Pyramid of Giza, Memphis, Egyptian Museum, Qaitbay Citadel and the Serapeum Temple, etc.

The Egyptian patrol police use cars with off-road vehicle features. Police vehicles have revolving lights or light bars, sirens etc. These vehicles are equipped with wireless sets of communication. Traffic Police vehicles also have equipment like speed radars, breath analysers and emergency first aid kits.

For traffic regulation and patrolling in cities, motorcycles are also used. This is because of increasing congestion in cities. The bikes are provided with two-way radios, strobes and sirens.

An increasing number of urban police bicycle units are used to provide a quick response in congested areas, pedestrianised areas and parkland, as well as carrying out patrols.

Mounted soldiers of the Tourism and Antiquities Police patrol Pyramids in Cairo on camels.