



Homemade Explosives (Identify-Process-Dispose) Course ID EXPL- CS-0018



Program Description:

ATF HME provides operator-level training for the identification of precursor chemicals and manufacturing equipment, processing techniques, along with safe handling, mitigation and disposal of hazardous HME mixtures. The course utilizes lectures, approved hands-on laboratory classes, practical exercises, explosives range demonstrations, and disposal exercises to enhance student training.

Course Objectives:

- Recognize and identify precursors used in the manufacture of HMEs
- Associate precursors with respective homemade explosives
- Identify and mitigate the hazards of precursors, partially mixed HMEs, or finished HMEs
- Safe sampling and testing techniques for HME or precursor identification
- Evidentiary collection and scene processing
- Remote methods of removing, and the safe disposal of HME hazards

Length of Training:

Full business week (five class days) with Sunday and Saturday travel days.

Program Costs:

State and local students (public safety bomb technicians) – Tuition, lodging, and airfare costs for this program are covered by ATF. ATF does **NOT** reimburse mileage for Government Owned Vehicles, travel insurance, upgrades and non-essential expenses. State and local students will be reimbursed for airfare and meals and incidental expenses (M&IE) by direct deposit, following submission of a travel voucher at the conclusion of the training program.

Military students (EOD technicians and SOF explosives engineers) – There is no tuition for military students. Prerequisites are waived for military students. All travel related costs are the responsibility of your unit. Military students are not required to complete the ATF training request form. Training dates are assigned by a military deciding official. Contact information for respective deciding officials can be obtained by emailing NCETR-mailbox@atf.gov. Please specify your unit's geographic location.

Prerequisites for Attendance:

For public safety bomb technicians, successful completion of Hazardous Devices School and ATF's Advanced Explosives Disposal Techniques (AEDT). The prerequisites are waived for EOD technicians and SOF explosives engineers.

Application (public safety bomb technicians only):

Download [ATF F 6310.1](#) — Training Registration Request for Non-ATF Employees. Send the completed application to NCETR-mailbox@atf.gov. Those selected will be contacted via email

with available course dates.

[Further Information:](#)

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Remaining Fiscal Year 2020 Course Dates:

Course	From	To	Location	Travel Dates
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Aug. 3, 2020	Aug. 7, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Aug. 2 and Aug. 8
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Aug. 17, 2020	Aug. 21, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Aug. 16 and Aug. 22
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Aug. 31, 2020	Sept. 4, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Aug. 30 and Sept. 5
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Sept. 14, 2020	Sept. 18, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Sept. 13 and Sept. 19
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Sept. 21, 2020	Sept. 25, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Sept. 20 and Sept. 26

Fiscal Year 2021 Course Dates:

Course	From	To	Location	Travel Dates
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Nov. 2, 2020	Nov. 6, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Nov. 1 and Nov. 7
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Nov. 16, 2020	Nov. 20, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Nov. 15 and Nov. 21
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Nov. 30, 2020	Dec. 4, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Nov. 29 and Dec. 5
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Dec. 14, 2020	Dec. 18, 2020	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Dec. 13 and Dec. 19
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Jan. 4, 2021	Jan. 8, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Jan. 3 and Jan. 9
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Jan. 25, 2021	Jan. 29, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Jan. 24 and Jan. 30
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Feb. 8, 2021	Feb. 12, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Feb. 7 and Feb. 13
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Feb. 22, 2021	Feb. 26, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Feb. 21 and Feb. 27
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	March 8, 2021	March 12, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	March 7 and Mar. 13
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	March 22, 2021	March 26, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	March 21 and March 27
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	April 12, 2021	April 16, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	April 11 and April 17
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	April 26, 2021	April 30, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	April 25 and May 1
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	May 17, 2021	May 21, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	May 16 and May 22
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	June 7, 2021	June 11, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	June 6 and June 12
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	June 28, 2021	July 2, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	June 27 and July 3
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	July 12, 2021	July 16, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	July 11 and July 17
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	July 26, 2021	July 30, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	July 25 and July 31

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ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Aug. 9, 2021	Aug. 13, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Aug. 8 and Aug. 14
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Aug. 23, 2021	Aug. 27, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Aug. 22 and Aug. 28
ID EXPL-CS- 0018	Sept. 13, 2021	Sept. 17, 2021	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Sept. 12 and Sept. 18