

COURSE REFERENCE CODE

TIP (The Investigation Process)

COURSE OVERVIEW

The role of a professional private investigator is vast, complex and largely unknown to the general public. Perceptions are formed from legendary fictional characters and popular TV programmes, or movies. A number of us who enter the investigation field have prior related experience in some aspect of professional investigation, but not necessarily in the private sector where there are significant restrictions on what activities civilian investigators can undertake and the information, they can gather.

Whether you are a former law enforcement officer, or a new entrant to the industry, in this module you will learn the techniques of intelligence and evidence gathering in the private sector, what issues positively and negatively impact the results you can obtain, what risks are prevalent in the private investigation process and, equally importantly, what intelligence can and cannot be obtained.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

This module will teach the student the following:

- The qualities of an “all-round” investigator operating in the private sector;
- Perception and memory issues;
- The impact of assumptions, intuition, ego and groupthink;
- Dealing with eye-witness accounts;
- Strategies to avoid investigative failures; and
- Managing investigation risks.

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION

This course will be delivered using classroom lectures, student role-playing and exercises to test understanding.

On conclusion of the module participants will receive a comprehensive set of student notes and certificate of completion.

COURSE DURATION	COURSE VALUE
½-day module	This module will be of significant value to anybody entering the private investigation industry for the first time as well as students who want to improve their professional understanding, or who may have a responsibility to manage and guide others involved in the investigation business.