



The Texas Department of Public Safety's
Transportation Code Training Program presents:



Contributing Factors in Crash Investigation

8 hours of TCOLE credit for commissioned law enforcement officers

November 18 and 19, 2025, 8 AM – 5 PM (choose one day to attend)

Hosted by the Georgetown Police Department, 3500 DB Wood Rd., Georgetown, TX 78628

Target Audience

Commissioned law enforcement officers engaged in the investigation and reporting of traffic crashes.

Course Description

The contributing factors assigned on a crash report are one of the most critical elements of an accurate and thorough crash investigation. They establish liability or a lack of liability for causing a crash and they carry heavy legal and fiscal implications for the parties involved.

Contributing factors must be examined and understood according to guidance in the CR-100 and requirements in the Texas Transportation Code. Students will examine and discuss approximately 300 crash diagrams and videos to develop a deeper understanding of how and when to use each of the 79 available contributing factors. Common misconceptions and misapplications will be identified and clarified. Transportation Code and Penal Code offenses will be discussed in conjunction with associated contributing factors to ensure students are taking appropriate enforcement action in their crash investigations.

In addition to in-class instruction, students will receive a comprehensive PDF document containing guidance, examples, and legal references regarding each contributing factor.

NOTE TO DPS PERSONNEL: This Contributing Factors class is also instructed as part of the Special Topics in Crash Investigation Course. DPS personnel who have recently attended Special Topics or will be attending in the future may not want to attend this standalone class, as it will be repetitive information.

Instructors

This course is instructed by Texas Highway Patrol Sergeants Scott Hewitt and Ryan Rentfro. Sgt. Hewitt and Sgt. Rentfro are members of the Texas DPS State Crash Reconstruction Team and instruct numerous crash and Transportation Code courses.



November 18

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