

Virginia Department of Forensic Science
Basic Crime Scene Photography
August 4 – 7, 2026

Tuesday, August 4th:

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| 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. | Welcome |
| 8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. | Orientation and Equipment Checkout |
| 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Basic Photography Principles |
| 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Lunch |
| 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Camera Familiarization |
| 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Exercise (1) – Exposure, Depth of Field, Focus,
Angle of View, Shutter Speed (Optional Polarizer Filters) |
| 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Download Images |

Wednesday, August 5th:

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| 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. | Critique Images |
| 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Crime Scene Photography |
| 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Exercise (2) – Crime Scene Photography
Available Light |
| 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Lunch |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Download/Critique Images |
| 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Exercise (2) – Crime Scene Photography
Available Light (correct errors) |
| 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Download Images |

Thursday, August 6th:

- 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Critique Images
- 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Flash Theory and Familiarization**
- 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Exercise (3) – Flash Familiarization
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Download/Critique Images
- 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Exercise (4) – Interior Crime Scene Photography
- 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Download/Critique Images

Friday, August 7th:

- 8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Exercise (5) - Crime Scene Photography Documentation
A complete photographic exercise both interior/exterior
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Download/Critique Images
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Footwear and Tire Impression Photography**
- 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Exercise (6) – Footwear Impression Photography
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Download and Convert to .TIFF/Critique Images
- 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Equipment Check-in