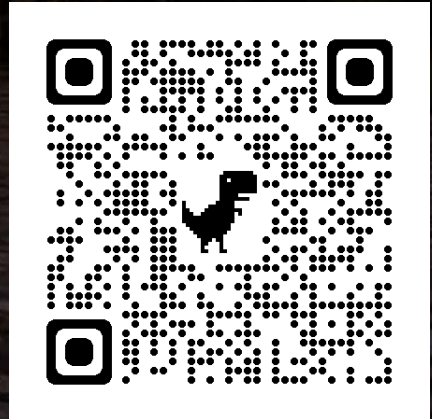


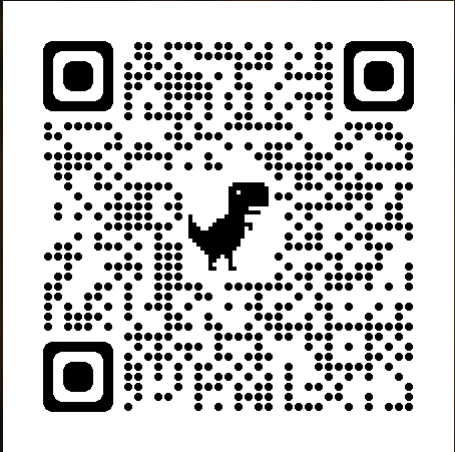
The Texas DRE Program Presents:

Managing and Maintaining a Drug Recognition Expert Program in a Police Agency



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“If you don't have time to do it right, when will you have the time to do it over?”

-John Wooden

What is the Drug Recognition Expert
Program?

Founded in Los Angeles in the 1970s

Validated in laboratory and field studies

Standards established

Curriculum Management and revised



What does a DRE do?

12 Step Drug Influence Evaluation

Normal Bloodshot Watery

Resting Nystagmus
 Yes No

Vertical Nystagmus
 Yes No

Blindness:
 None

Able to follow
 Yes

HON

	Left Eye	Right Eye
Lack of Smooth Pursuit		
Maximum Deviation		
Angle of Onset		

Convergence

Right eye

Left eye

Walk and Turn Test

Balance

Is the impairment caused by drugs or
If drugs, what categories?
a medical condition?



Breath Alcohol Test



Interview of Arresting Officer



Preliminary Examination



Eye Examinations



Divided Attention Tests



Examination of Vital Signs



Dark Room Examinations



Check for Muscle Tone



Check for Injection Sites



**Interrogation, Statements, and
Other Observations**



Opinion of Evaluator

It is my opinion, as a certified Drug Recognition Expert, that (suspect's name) is under the influence of (category or categories) and is unable to operate a vehicle safely.



Toxicological Evaluation

335 DREs (.004%)

48 DRE Instructors

101 DRE Agencies (3.6%)

Any substance that, when taken into the human body, can impair the ability of the person to operate a vehicle safely

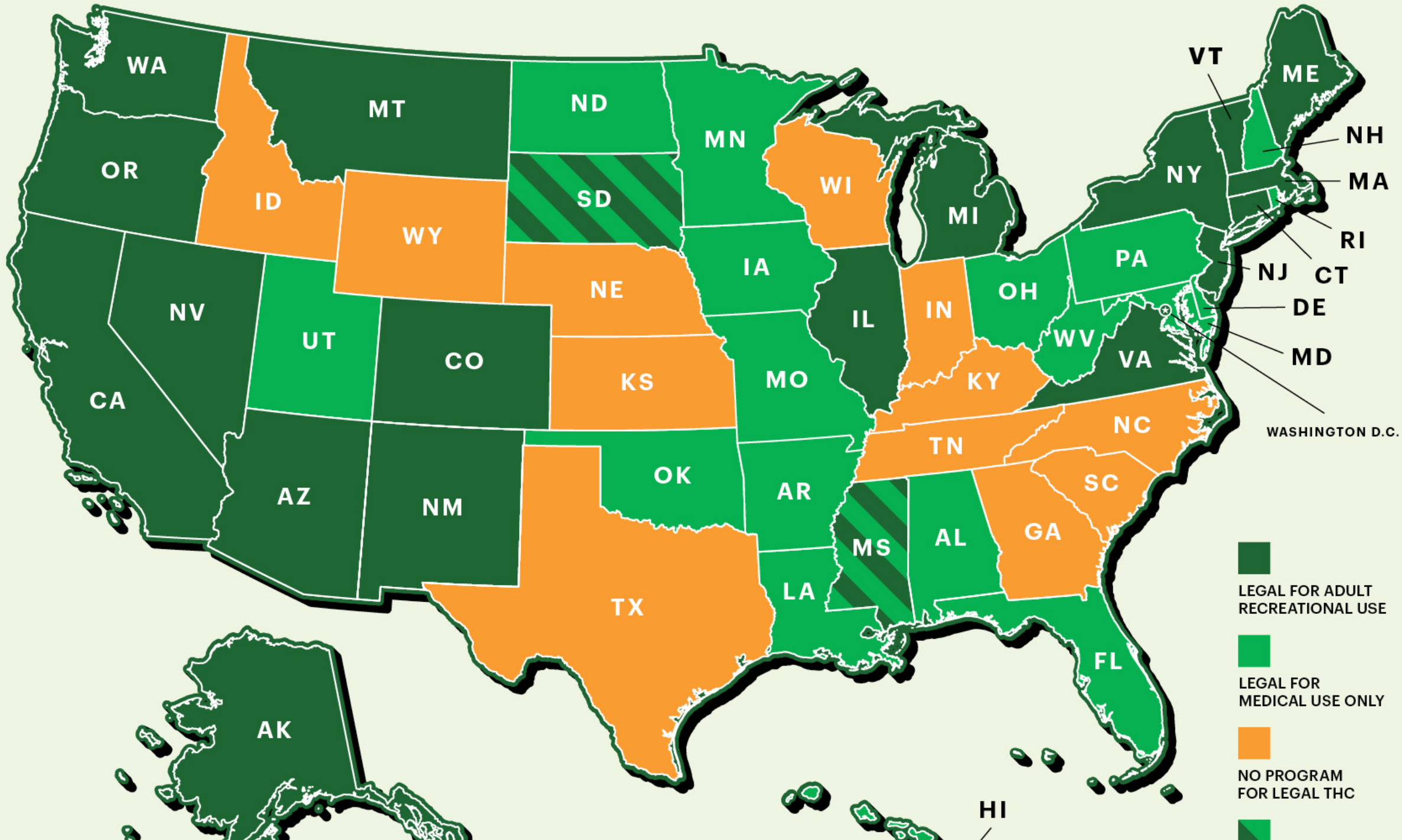
What is a drug?

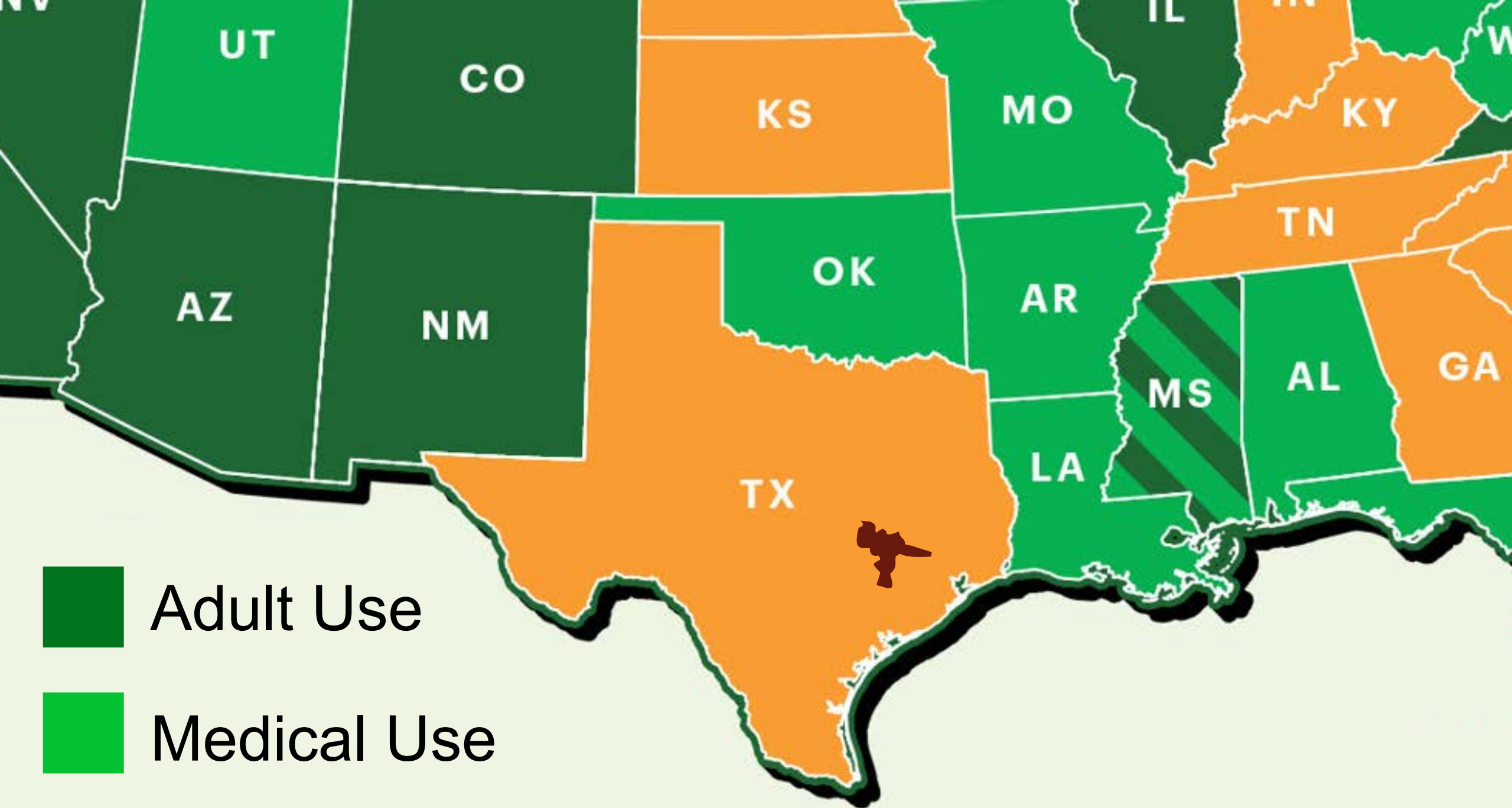


21.46%



Green Wave





Adult Use



Medical Use

DRE Candidate Selection



Texas Standards

2 years experience*

Reasonable background in DWI

SFST Proficient

DWI Proficiency



SFST Mastery



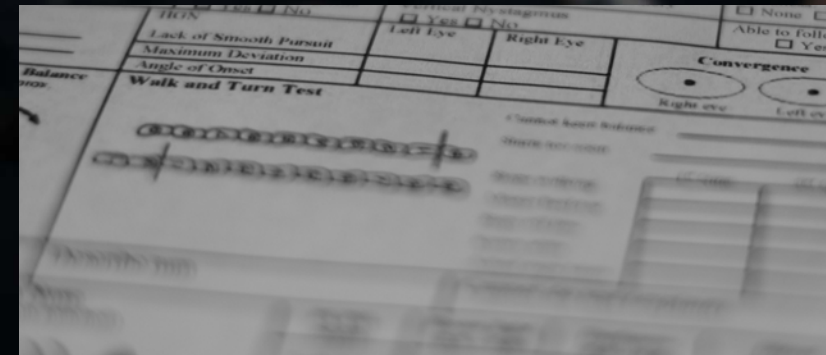
DWI Law



Reports



Courtroom



Personal Drive

Edinburg

Submit email

Testing

- Written exam

- SFST Proficiency Exam

Report review

Irving



Submit email

Record of active DWI enforcement

Recommendation of Agency Coordinator

A long, straight asphalt road with a double yellow line in the center, stretching into the distance under a cloudy sky. The road is flanked by rolling green hills. In the distance, a small town or city is visible on the left side of the road. The sky is overcast with soft, grey clouds. The overall mood is serene and open.

DRE Certification



Feeling overwhelmed? Don't lose your mobility



An open calendar is shown from a top-down perspective, slightly angled. The pages are white with a grid layout for dates. The word "Recertification" is printed in a large, bold, black font across the center of the calendar. The calendar pages show dates from approximately the 11th to the 29th. Some dates have handwritten notes or are highlighted. The background is dark and out of focus.

Recertification

An open calendar with handwritten notes and dates. The calendar is spread across two pages, showing dates from the 11th to the 29th. The text is overlaid on the left side of the calendar pages.

8 hours of continuing education

Perform 4 evaluations

Updated rolling log

Updated curriculum vitae

How do you use a DRE?





POLICY

REALISTIC

EASY TO FOLLOW

FLEXIBLE

A DRE shall be called when . . .

Every DWI under 0.08

When officer suspects drug impairment

All felony DWI crashes

Follow up toxicology reveals previously unsuspected drug involvement

Additional Policy Ideas

Seek search warrant for blood in ALL DWI cases

SFST Refresher training every 2 years

ARIDE Training

DWI specific field training

How do you keep a DRE?



Incentives

Certificate / Assignment Pay

Take home unit

Callout OT time minimum

Comp time payout

Preferred shift / days off

Involvement

Crash investigations

Training

Policy creation

Community outreach

DRE Staffing

The background of the image is an abstract, fluid composition of swirling colors. It features a gradient from deep purple on the right to bright blue on the left, with intricate, smoke-like or ink-like patterns throughout. The overall effect is ethereal and dynamic.



ON CALL

PLATOON

HYBRID

**Budget
Friendly**

ON CALL
Advantages

**Smaller
agencies**

?

**Go to
resource**

Burn out

**Greener
pastures**

**On call
unavailable**

ON CALL
Drawbacks

**Mid to large
agencies**

**Improved
availability**

DWI Culture

PLATOON
Advantages

Collaboration



**Budget
impact**



PLATOON
Drawbacks



Recruitment



HYBRID

Edinburg PD	
Year	Evaluations
2010	14
2011	16
2012	34
2013	45
2014	62
2015	46
2016	31
2017	20
2018	30
2019	22

Irving PD	
Year	Evaluations
2010	14
2011	1
2012	16
2013	25
2014	31
2015	12
2016	21
2017	15
2018	20
2019	12

Facility Ideas

The background of the slide is a blurred photograph of a workspace. It shows a desk with a pen lying on it, a notebook, and some papers. The lighting is soft, and the colors are muted, creating a professional and focused atmosphere.

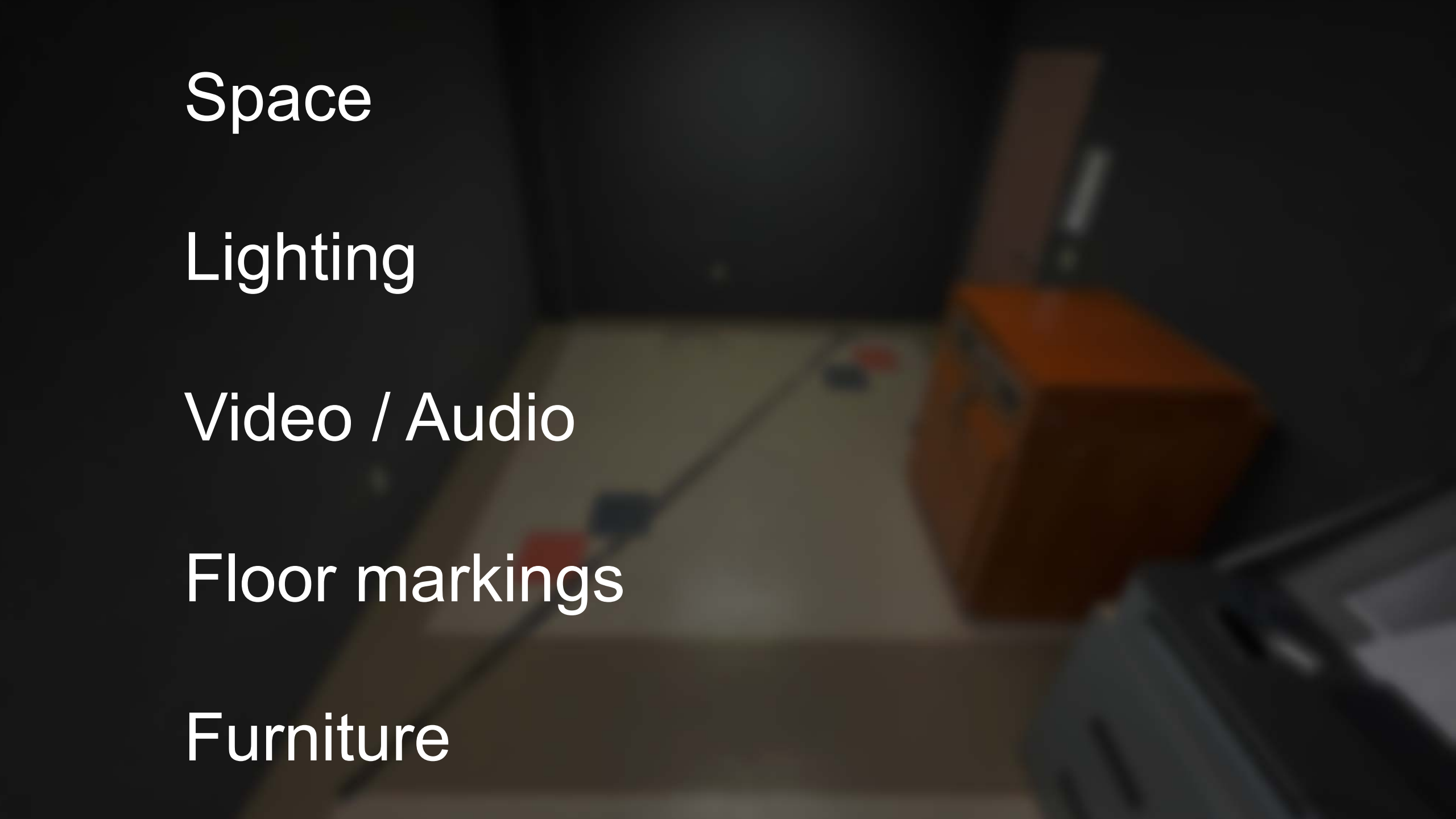
Space

Lighting

Video / Audio

Floor markings

Furniture







**NO
RECORDING
DURING STRIP
SEARCH**

Workstation area featuring a dark grey counter with black cabinets below. On the counter, there is a camera on a tripod, a monitor, an orange and white striped cloth, and various bottles. The wall behind the counter is light-colored cinder block with three electrical outlets. A metal stool is positioned under the counter.

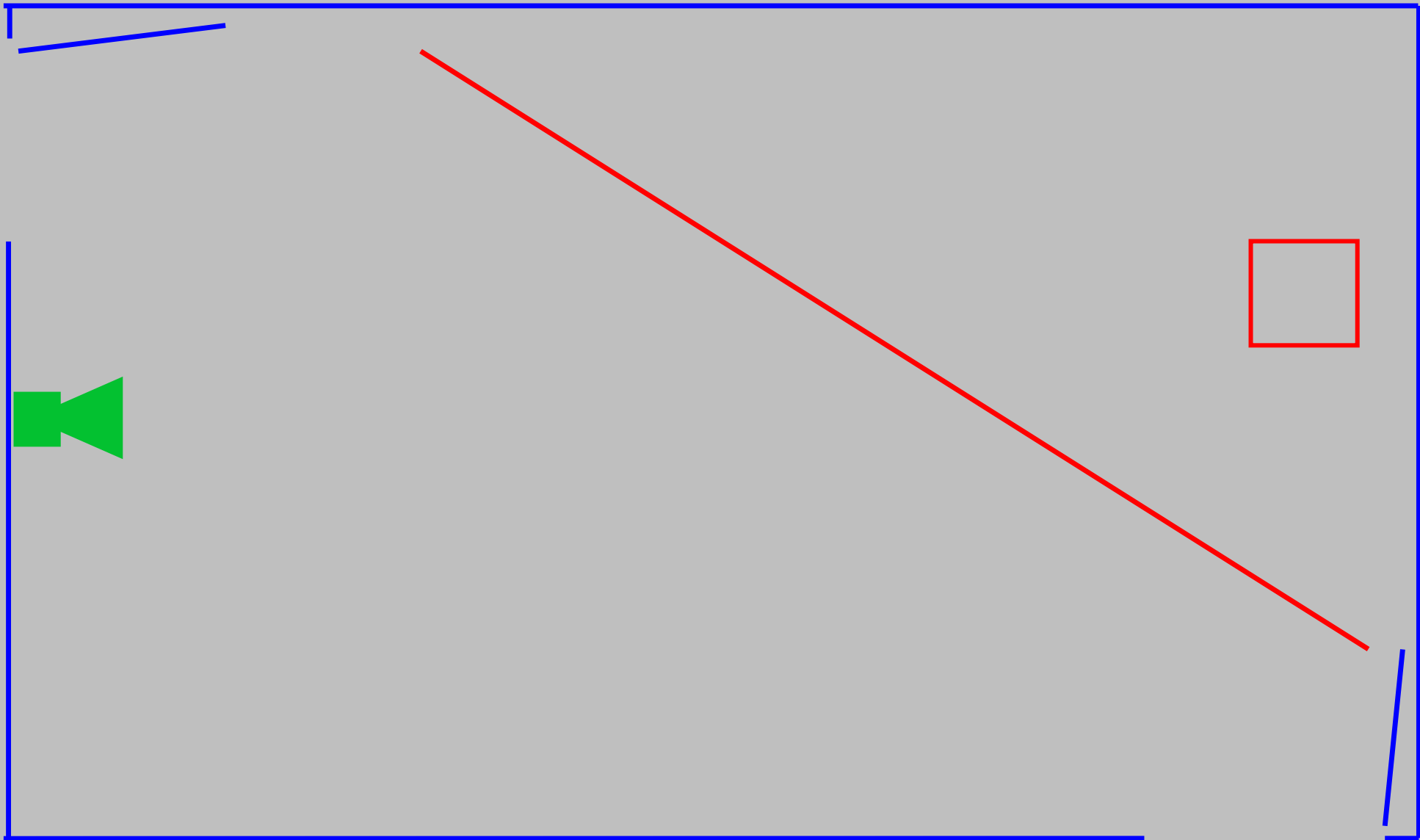
A wooden table on a black metal frame with a red cushioned chair partially visible in the foreground.

**INTERVIEW
IN
PROGRESS**

**NO
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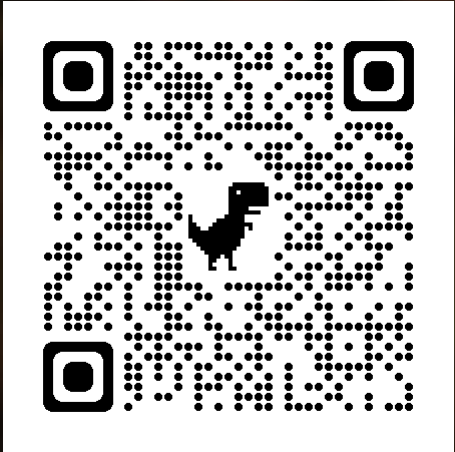




PLEASE, STATE
THE CASE
NUMBER FOR
THE RECORD







“The problem is not the problem. The problem is your attitude about the problem”

-Jack Sparrow, Captain (Ret.)

“DWI enforcement
is our #1 priority!”

“How many DREs
does your agency
have?”



A grayscale image of two hands shaking, symbolizing agreement or partnership. The hands are positioned in the center-right of the frame, with the fingers interlocked. The background is dark and textured.

Build relationships

Shift / Division / Department

Other agencies

Training academies

Prosecutors / Judges

Community

A grayscale background image showing a hand holding a pen over a document, with a camera lens visible in the background.

Training

SFST Practitioner / SFST Refresher

Advanced DWI Investigation

ARIDE / ARIDE Refresher

Interview and Interrogation

Courtroom Demeanor & Testimony

A blurred night scene of a city street. In the foreground, a dark car is visible, possibly a police vehicle, with its lights on. The background shows other vehicles and city lights, creating a sense of motion and urgency. The overall atmosphere is dark and dramatic.

**Relentless pursuit of
the impaired driver**



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