



## OAK Decoy Information

Your role will be to carry a concealed training aid through a zone where a Passenger Screening Canine (PSC) team is conducting search activity. A TSA representative will conceal the training aid and provide you with specific walking/movement instructions prior to the test. How you dress is critical to the success of the test, and relates directly to the manner in which the training aid will be concealed for the specific test. Therefore, please follow the dress instructions below:

Thank you for agreeing to assist the OAK Canine Program by participating as a decoy. Please read this entire email to ensure you understand your responsibilities.

All volunteers must be at least 18 years old. Please extend the invitation to your family members as well. Minors can assist in the training if accompanied by an adult, but will not be allowed to carry the training item.

- Arrive at designated location on time.
- **Do not** approach the canine handlers. (They should not know you are a decoy. If you have questions, contact the decoy POC only.)
- Please wear non-formfitting clothing that supports work related appropriate attire. (This allows the trainer to place training aids without the aid being seen beneath the clothing.) **No sweat/jogging pants or hoodie sweatshirts.**
- Notify the decoy POC if you have utilized any of your clothing or property in an environment that may contain components of explosives, such as a firing range, golf course, demolition site, etc.
- You are encouraged to bring your own property when directed to do so (backpack, jacket, suitcase, duffle bag, etc.) to assist in appearing like a member of the traveling public.
- Hats, , purses, etc. are also encouraged, to aid in concealing your identity from the canine handler.
- If you have a training aid placed on your person or property, you must maintain a distance from any "Blank" decoy of approximately 25 yards at all times throughout the training. (*A Blank decoy is a decoy without a training aid.*)
- Refrain from discussing particulars of your participation with those without a need to know. (The traveling public does not have a need to know how we train our canines.)
- If last minute circumstances preclude you from participating on the scheduled date, please contact STSS-K9 (Supervisor) Stan Krackowski (510) 599-4403 or [Stanislaw.Krackowski@tsa.dhs.gov](mailto:Stanislaw.Krackowski@tsa.dhs.gov)

**If you are in a law enforcement position, we ask that you be unarmed for this training event.**



**Transportation  
Security  
Administration**

Finally, please advise us in advance if you have any allergies to any specific materials that may come into contact with your skin, such as cotton, wool, latex, adhesive tapes, etc.

**PARKING:**

You can park at the executive/management parking lot, once on airport drive heading to Terminal 1 make a right on Alan Shepard Way ( blue sign on the right will say air cargo, economy parking) last street before the terminal 1. Second driveway on the right is where you can park, you can call me and I will meet you and give you a parking tag. C (510)599-4403.

**NOTE:** Do not enter any parking area where payment is required. We have a designated parking area for volunteer decoys.