

# CANINE DETECTION PROGRAM

MSA Security<sup>®</sup>, An Allied Universal<sup>®</sup> Company, is America's largest private provider of Explosive Detection and Firearms Detection Canine teams. With bestin-class training and over 850 single-handler, single-purpose teams deployed

globally, our services successfully address the today's current threat landscape.

MSA Firearms Detection Canine Teams are experienced, certified and proven. They undergo extensive and ongoing operational training to effectively combat the evolving firearms threat.

> All MSA Firearms Detection Teams train specifically for firearms detection work to facilitate peak olfactory conditioning. Teams work on a single-handler basis to enhance the working bond.

Active shooter attacks, workplace violence incidents and criminal gun violence are leading security concerns for organizations of every size and scope. MSA Security<sup>®</sup> Firearms Detection Canines provide clients with an effective, versatile and dynamic solution to deter and detect concealed firearms in restricted areas. MSA canines empower organizations to prevent a potential mass casualty event, minimizing risk to people, protecting brand reputation and reducing liability.

MSA Firearms Detection Canine Teams prove a strong deterrent to active and mass shooter incidents across vulnerable targets such as schools, shopping centers, venues, corporate campuses and other large gathering spaces. Teams offer key benefits:

- > Proactive and Visible Deterrent
- > Create Safe Environment
- > Accurate and Clear Detect Capability
- > Non-Intrusive
- > Immediate Response
- > Speed, Versatility and Mobility



## **OUR TEAM**

## LEADERSHIP

MSA Security's Canine Detection Program is driven and managed by experienced canine training professionals, bomb technicians, and operational leaders. Our comprehensive program prepares teams to operate in various environments and delivers ongoing training on the evolving threat spectrum.

#### CANINES

MSA selects sporting and herding breeds for their keen sense of smell, drive, intelligence, temperament and eagerness to please. Rigorous vetting standards, meticulous training and close veterinary care facilitate long and productive careers for our dogs.

### **EXPERT HANDLERS**

All MSA handlers are required to possess law enforcement or military backgrounds. Upon joining MSA, they undergo additional training on topics such as explosive detection methodologies, counter-surveillance and behavior pattern recognition.

# **OUR TRAINING**

#### IMPRINTING

All MSA Firearms Detection Canines are first trained as Explosive Detection Canines, where they learn to detect all five families of commercial and military grade explosives, including gunpowder and homemade explosives. Dogs intended for firearm detection deployment then complete additional training specific to odors associated with firearms. Different than any other deployment, these canines are imprinted to detect a range of odors associated with firearms, whether previously fired or static.

#### ATF LICENSE

MSA is fully licensed by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to house and train on live explosives and odors. MSA canines never train on pseudo-explosive odors.

#### NAPWDA

MSA uses a third-party master trainer to independently evaluate the effectiveness of our canine teams. Teams certify to North American Police Work Dog Association (NAPWDA) standards annually.

#### **DOJ NORT**

MSA administers the Department of Justice (DOJ) National Odor Recognition Test (NORT) to all our teams annually.



MSA utilizes a state-of-the-art technology program to facilitate the administering of field deployments. The software program, EPay, delivers schedules directly to handlers and notifies them of any changes in real-time. Handlers utilize the mobile app to clock-in once arriving at their post, confirming location, attendance, and notifying managers. The platform also maintains site-specific post orders, accessible to field employees at all times. All deployment activity is managed by MSA's full-time scheduling department, staffed around-the-clock.





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