Standardized Training and Instructor Programs

- Standard Performance Objectives are used to verify competence.
- Each curriculum contains mandated performance skills which are validated by a committee of working bike unit members, and are defensible in court.
- Certification standards are rigid and reality-based, with standardized testing:
  - On-bike testing to evaluate skill, proficiency and safety.
  - Written testing to evaluate cognitive ability and understanding of concepts.
- IPMBA Instructors earn their certification by successfully completing the rigorous IPMBA Instructor Course, specifically designed to prepare them to deliver proper, safe, and effective bike training.
- Flexible programs allow for the addition of topics relevant to specific situations or organizations.
- Recognized by IACP, CALEA, state accreditation agencies, and police departments throughout the U.S, Canada, and the United Kingdom.

What is IPMBA?

IPMBA promotes the use of bikes for public safety, provides resources and networking opportunities, and offers the best, most complete training for public safety cyclists.

Annual IPMBA Conference
The premier training event for public safety cyclists

Dates and Locations Vary

- Effective, proven, and skill-enhancing training and certification courses
- Essential, dynamic, and innovative on-bike sessions
- Experienced and respected instructors
- Insightful and information-filled in-class workshops
- The nation’s largest and best bicycle patrol product exhibition
- Unparalleled networking opportunities
- ...And fun!

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IPMBA Police Cyclist Course
Description: Be prepared for the street! This essential training combines Emergency Vehicle Operations for bike officers with patrol procedures, tactics, night operations, scenarios, and basic bike maintenance and on-the-road repairs. Learn to ride like a pro, avoid crashes, and use your bike to foil the bad guys every time. Off-road riding and bike-specific live-fire exercises may be added at the instructor’s discretion.
Course Length: 32-40 hours
Testing Procedure: written & practical

IPMBA EMS Cyclist Course
Description: Be first on scene! Nothing moves more swiftly through a crowd than a bike medic responding to a call for help. However you use your bike fleet, this essential emergency vehicle operations course will improve your response times and help you meet your goals. Learn to select and pack equipment, maneuver a fully loaded bike, and perform basic bike maintenance and on-the-road repairs. Course includes night operations, scenarios, and defensive measures. Off-road riding/search and rescue exercises may be added at the instructor’s discretion.
Course Length: 32-40 hours
Testing Procedure: written & practical

IPMBA Police-EMS-Security Cyclist II Course
Description: This fast-paced course will enhance your technical skills through obstacle courses and off-road riding, teach you essential maintenance and bike-fit tips, enhance your safety through landing techniques, introduce you to event planning and use of bikes for urban search and rescue, and enable you to apply your skills in real-world scenarios.
Course Length: 24 hours
Testing Procedure: practical

IPMBA Maintenance Officer Course
Description: Do your bikes take a beating? Having an in-house maintenance officer translates into less bicycle downtime, fewer expensive repairs, and safer, longer-lasting bicycles. This hands-on course will provide you with the skills to maintain your fleet and perform all but the most technical repairs. The curriculum emphasizes preventive maintenance, general repairs, and overhaul of component groups. You will also learn fleet management principles and documentation methods. Bring your bike and tools and prepare to overhaul!
Course Length: 40 hours
Testing Procedure: written & practical

IPMBA Security Cyclist Course
Description: Protect your beat! This course is designed for non-law enforcement security personnel who patrol a wide array of facilities. It produces confident, competent, and effective personnel who operate in a safe manner and reduce departmental liability. Learn how to ride like a pro, avoid crashes, and safely and effective patrol all corners of your beat. Course includes night operations, scenarios, basic maintenance, and on-the road repairs. Off-road riding and bike-specific live-fire exercises may be added at the instructor’s discretion.
Course Length: minimum 24 hours
Testing Procedure: written & practical

IPMBA Instructor Course
Description: Riding a bike is not as easy as...riding a bike. Public safety cyclists must learn how to ride both technically and tactically. This intense course will equip you with the skills to teach public safety cyclists how to use their bikes safely and effectively. Through in-class presentations, on-bike drills, mock teaching sessions, and peer and self-critiques, you will learn to identify and correct improper technique; assist students in overcoming difficulties; and incorporate various methods of instruction into the IPMBA courses. This course is often described by graduates as one of the most challenging and rewarding classes of their careers.
Course Length: 44 hours
Testing Procedure: written, practical, and verbal

IPMBA Bicycle Response Team Training
Description: Think you don’t need a bike-mounted mobile field force? Think again. Social media helps spawn crowds — some unruly — and bike officers are uniquely qualified to handle them. And who better than a bike medic to ensure prompt medical attention is rendered if a team member or bystander is injured? Whether you are preparing for political events, parties and raves, or just expecting your team to make it to the championship, this course will prepare you to manage your crowds and ensure prompt patient care in crowd situations. Practical exercises include formations, single- and double-column riding, arrest/rescue techniques, squad withdrawal, and gas mask drills, complete with smoke and noise!
Course Length: 24 hours
Testing Procedure: written & practical