

**LEVEL 2  
(‘BASIC’)  
BPA TRAINING**

**1-WEEK RESIDENTIAL/  
PRACTICAL COURSE**

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**UK RESILIENCE ACADEMY,  
NEAR YORK, UK**



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## Who are we?

SPATTER/ED Ltd is a bloodstain pattern analysis training and education platform dedicated to the delivery of professional development products for practitioners and enthusiasts. We offer a range of training courses designed to enhance BPA understanding including a portfolio of online and classroom-based training modules each of which can be supplemented with a range of practical sessions. Each element is designed to support ongoing professional development and can be delivered as part of an individual or agency's competency and proficiency programme, or as a standalone event.

## Our ethos

Our aim is to deliver world-class BPA training that is contemporary and gives key personnel the knowledge they need to understand the contribution that BPA can offer to criminal investigations and skills that are relevant to their day to day role. We are committed to widening participation, driven by knowledge transfer and thrive through collaboration, and we can't wait to work with you.

## What is Level 2 BPA training?

Our LEVEL 2 BPA / INTERMEDIATE (40-hour) Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Training course is targeted at Law Enforcement Personnel, Crime Scene Investigators, Forensic Scientists and other selected individuals who examine bloodstain patterns at scenes and on weapons and clothing and want to develop a fundamental knowledge of the science and techniques of BPA in the investigation of crime. The course meets the educational standards as defined by IABPA and OSAC (formerly SWGSTAIN) and successful participants are able to apply for industry standard membership of the International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts (IABPA). The training uses classroom-based presentations to deliver teaching across 7 modules which address a wide range of topics from the historical basis of BPA to blood dynamics and stain classification. These are supported by practical (wet-room) sessions along with instructor demonstrations, syndicate exercises and individual practical assessments. Participants are required to undertake an assessment, for which feedback will be provided, and will receive a Training Manual and Certificate of Completion. Post-course mentoring can be developed following consultation with the participant and their agency. Animal-derived blood and pork meat is used during the training session.

## Instructors

The course instructors are internationally recognised BPA experts with a rich forensic and crime scene expertise and each have extensive operational experience in a range of related forensic disciplines including giving expert testimony in national and international courts of law. The training courses are delivered by Jo Millington and Gillian Leak. Jo and Gillian have a combined experience of ~ 70 years working in the UK forensic science industry and both have extensive experience in the multi-disciplinary forensic investigation of major and critical incidents. They have delivered professional BPA training to crime scene and laboratory-based practitioners from around the world. Other instructors join this course during the week as part of the Spatter/ED team.

## TRAINING COURSE LOGISTICS / T&Cs

### Date/Time

*The next available training course is:*

**02 March 2026 – 06 March 2026**

**Registration: Monday 08:45AM**

**Training starts Monday: 09:00AM**

### Training venue

**UK Resilience Academy, The Hawkhill, York, YO61 3EG.**

**Tel: 01347 821406**

**Web: <https://ukresilienceacademy.org/>**

### Fees

The course fee is **£2685 + VAT** per participant and includes the BPA course, training manual, on-site accommodation, all meals and refreshments throughout the training. Fees must be paid within 30 days of the invoice or in advance of the training course start date, whichever comes first. The participant's place on a course can only be confirmed once their fee is received.

### Accommodation

On-site accommodation for participants is provided at the Training College for the duration of the course including for the Sunday night. The course fee includes full-board accommodation but please note there are no catering facilities on site on Sunday evening and so participants should make alternative meal arrangements. The rooms have a single bed, en-suite facilities with television and tea and coffee facilities. *Non-residential rates are available – please contact the team if you want to make your own accommodation arrangements.*

### Pre-course requirements

Participants will be asked to offer a profile detailing their experiences of BPA, including in the laboratory or attending crime scenes involving BPA, but prior formal training in BPA is not necessary. A pre-course questionnaire must be completed by all participants.

### Other requirements

Please advise us if you have any special dietary and/or other requirements when you book your place on the course and we will make every effort to accommodate you. If you have a mobility issue please speak to a member of the team before booking as the practical space is accessed via a stairway. Where possible participants are asked to donate a set of light-coloured clothing (top and bottoms) and a pair of white/light-coloured shoes with them to the training course for use during the simulated assault sessions. These can be second-hand/worn but must be clean.

You will be notified if there is a requirement to bring anything else, such as facemasks/PPE. Please email [team@spattered.co.uk](mailto:team@spattered.co.uk) if you have any questions regarding this.

## Language

The training will be delivered in English. The participant/agency is responsible for providing an interpreter if required.

## Participants and class size

In order to provide the most effective training environment for our students we limit the number of spaces available on each course to ~10. We often have more applicants than spaces but we do run courses on a regular basis - see [website](#) for updates. We also maintain a waiting list for each course which operates on a first come - first refusal basis. Group learning and discussion play an important part in the training and we have a minimum requirement for each course. If we have less than 5 applicants, we may need to consider cancelling the course and transfer bookings to the next available course. We will always endeavour to optimise the training experience and deliver cost-effective solutions to agencies that have a number of colleagues that require training. We have found that if practitioners are able to follow a similar training path to their colleagues that this facilitates mentoring and support when they return to their home institution. Where required we can arrange to provide after-course support to ensure that the training can be robustly applied in practice. We have worked with a number of agencies to help develop BPA capability and if you would like to discuss this, please contact us at [team@spattered.co.uk](mailto:team@spattered.co.uk).

## Security & safety requirements

Participants who are not resident in the UK, work overseas and/or work for a non-police/forensic organisation, may be asked to provide a form of identification (e.g. passport) and confirmation of their residential and work address. These will be reviewed by us before a place on the training course can be confirmed.

## Refund and cancellation policy

Due to the nature of the training, last minute cancellations can jeopardise the course and so we have to enforce a strict *refund and cancellation policy*. This is outlined in more detail below. We appreciate that there may be extenuating circumstances and wherever possible we will work with our customers to find a fair and reasonable solution. We will always, where possible, provide confirmation that the course will go ahead one calendar month from the start date.

## Cancellations by the participant

Cancellations made by the participant are subject to a 25% (of net fee) administration charge where the cancellation is made more than one calendar month before the start date of the training course. No refund is payable for a cancellation made within one calendar month of the training course start date. In this event the full sum, as shown on the invoice, will be payable.

In the case of all cancellations, places can be transferred, free of charge, to another participant with the required pre-requisites if applicable. That person must attend the original planned course.

Where the cancellation is made more than one calendar month before the start date of the training course, and no replacement is identified, the original named participant may transfer to the next available course and pay the balance due to the administration fee above. Transfers are limited to one per participant.

Where the cancellation is made within one calendar month before the start date of the training course, and no replacement is identified, no refund or transfer will be possible.

## **Cancellations by us**

In the unlikely event that we have to cancel the training, participants will be offered a full refund or the option to transfer their booking to an alternative course. For all bookings, our liability will be limited to the amount of the fee that has been paid to us by the participant or their agency. We cannot accept liability for costs incurred beyond the course fee and we encourage participants to only book travel once we have confirmed that the course will run.

## **Need more information?**

If you would like to chat more about the training course or would like to discuss your individual requirements please email [team@spattered.co.uk](mailto:team@spattered.co.uk) - we look forward to the chance to work with you. You'll also find some more information on our website at [www.spattered.co.uk](http://www.spattered.co.uk).

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**ONLINE TRAINING** OR TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST & JOIN OUR WAITING LIST  
[WWW.SPATTERED.CO.UK](http://WWW.SPATTERED.CO.UK)



## RECENT PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

*Most valuable topics:* Learning objective criteria for each spatter pattern type & gunshot-generated spatter presentation

All of the blood practical work was fab and a great opportunity to see examples in person. The wearing of clothes & work with meat in simulated assault situations was really good.

Professional training at its best - all relevant to my job [CSI]

Great to have such a varied group of participants: CSIs, FSPs, students, bringing all our experiences together.

Extremely interesting and stimulating course, delivered by instructors who are at the top of their game. A career highlight.

A fantastic opportunity to refresh my understanding of BPA, after 25 years in practice.

The course exceeded all expectations - the range and depth of teaching was amazing and it was a privilege to learn from Jo & Gillian. Thank you!

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