

# BPA TRAINING FOR CRIME SCENE PROFESSIONALS

**1 DAY  
PRACTICAL COURSE**

**15 OR 16 MAY 2025**

**EMERGENCY PLANNING  
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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 BPA training for Crime Scene Professionals?

This 1-day practical BPA Training Course is aimed at Crime Scene Professionals but is open to others who encounter BPA as part of their role. Through this training students will:

- Build an understanding of the contribution that BPA can offer to a police investigation.
- Learn how to maximise the potential of BPA at blood scenes.
- Identify when to call in a specialist.
- Optimise the value of BPA in cases where the instruction of an external expert is not possible.

Training includes an introduction to BPA, how to record blood patterns effectively, how to implement a BPA sampling strategy, and discusses the value BPA can bring to an investigation through a series of classroom-based and practical sessions. Animal-derived blood is used during the training session.

## Instructors

The training course is delivered by **Jo Millington** BSc (Hons) MSc PGCert MIABPA MCSFS, Director and Lead Trainer at Spatter/ED Ltd, and the Spatter/ED team.

Jo has delivered professional BPA training to crime scene and laboratory-based practitioners from around the world and holds national BPA quality positions including with the UK Forensic Science Regulator. She is a professional member of the Chartered Society of the Forensic Sciences and the International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts (IABPA) and on the Advisory Committee of the Netherlands Register of Court Experts (NRGD). Jo is a visiting lecturer at several UK universities, including Kings College London and the Academy of Forensic Medical Sciences and holds the honorary positions of Visiting Fellow at Bournemouth University and Honorary Professor of Practice at University College London.

## **TRAINING COURSE LOGISTICS / T&Cs**

### ***Date/Time***

*The next available training course is:*

**15<sup>th</sup> May 2025 or 16<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (select 1 day on booking form)**

**Registration: 09:30AM**

**Training: 09:45AM - 16:30PM**

### ***Training venue***

**Emergency Planning College, The Hawkhill, York, YO61 3EG.**

**Tel: 01347 821406**

**Web: <https://www.epcresilience.com/>**

### ***Fees***

The course fee is **£375 + VAT** per participant and includes the BPA course, training manual, lunch 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.

### ***Pre-course requirements***

Participants will be asked to offer a short 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.

### ***Other requirements / PPE***

Please advise us if you have any special dietary and/or other requirements when you book your place on the course using the booking form 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.

Participants are asked to bring a supply of PPE (Type 5/6 coverall, shoe covers and gloves) for their own use during the practical sessions. 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 prerequisites 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).