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Prevention and Detection of Illicit Substances Within Secure Services

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Staffordshire police dog to sniff out drugs in hospitals

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Buster will work in hospital wards in Shropshire and South Staffordshire

A sniffer dog has been brought in to find drugs in Shropshire and South Staffordshire hospitals.

Buster, an English Springer Spaniel, has been trained by police and will work with NHS dog handler Wayne Harvey.

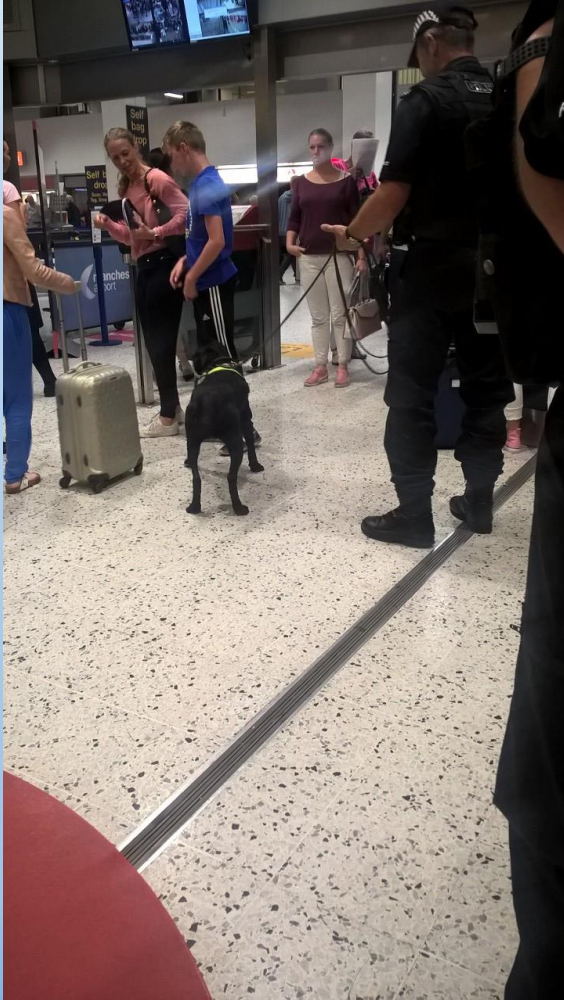
Police Proactive Drugs Detection Course



Partnership Working With Staffordshire Police



Passive Search Dog



Proactive Search Dog





PLEASE NOTE

Buster is our Forensic Directorate Narcotics Search Dog and is working in this area on a regular basis. Buster will find any items that are related to illicit substances. It is important to ensure we maintain a safe environment for our patients, visitors and staff. Any person found in possession of, using or trying to supply illicit substances will be reported to the police. Any illicit substances will be confiscated and handed to the police.

Please contact Wayne Harvey
Forensic Security Manager
who is Buster's handler should you
have any questions or concerns.



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**Buster and his handler have been
trained by Staffordshire Police**



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New Psychoactive Substances



Following the Psychoactive Substances Act 2016 being published in January 2016, the substances previously known as Novel Psychoactive substances (legal highs) became illegal to produce or supply/sell and are now known as New Psychoactive substances because the initial ingredients have changed due to the change in the law and also to attempt to prevent being detected in urine samples.



There is no set recipe for psychoactive substances, and ingredients, as well as the names of the substances varies regionally. For example, the substance with the street name of "Monkey Dust", only appears to be located in Liverpool and Stoke on Trent. Substances such as "Black Mamba" have been found to have different ingredients when they have been seized in different parts of the country.

Due to there being no set recipe for psychoactive substances, it is important to remember when checking urine or blood results, not to assume because a positive reading has shown for 5F-ADB (for example), which has been found in both "Black Mamba and Spice", it does not necessarily mean that is the substance that the patient may have taken, this is only one part of the ingredient of the substance that has been taken.

Testing for these formulas in all psychoactive substances is constantly changing, this making test kits that can be purchased a very unreliable and obsolete.

Single test kits such as the "Spice" ones were removed from the wards. This was not only for the reason that the formulas change regionally and regularly but also due to the number of false negative and positive readings they were showing.

Any drug screen requests should be sent to Birmingham Toxicology and details completed on the request form shown.

If testing for NPS, please send both a blood and urine sample.

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Drug Classification

Class A - These include **Heroin, Cocaine, Ecstasy and LSD.**



If found guilty by a court of law of Class A drugs you could go to prison for up to 14 years and be fined.

If you sell Class A drugs you could go to life imprisonment.

Drug Classification

Class B - These include **Amphetamines such as Speed, Barbiturates and all NPS substances.**



If found guilty of possessing Class B drug you could go to prison for up to seven years and be fined.



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Drug Classification

Class C - These include **Cannabis, Tranquilisers, Valium and Anabolic Steroids.**

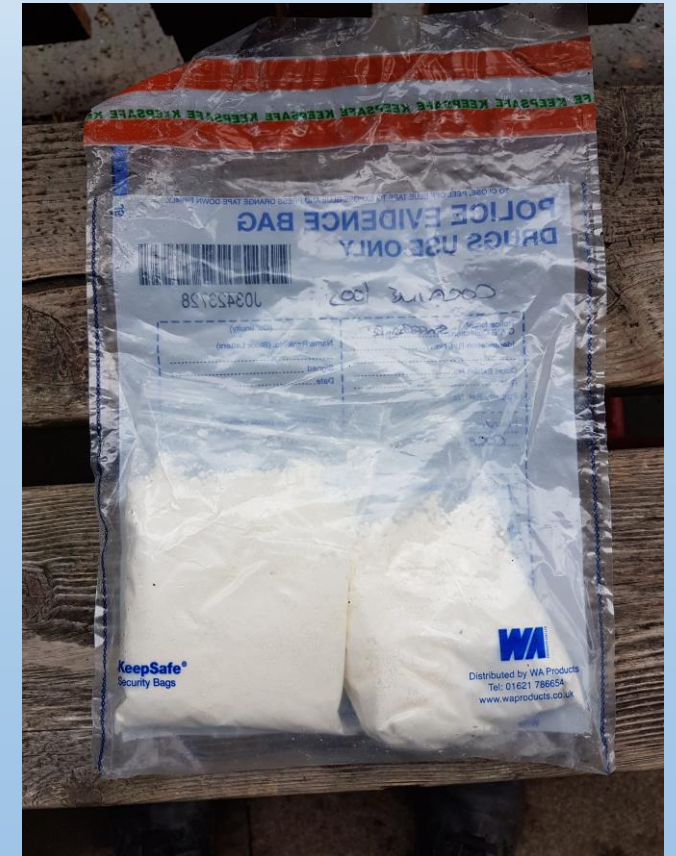
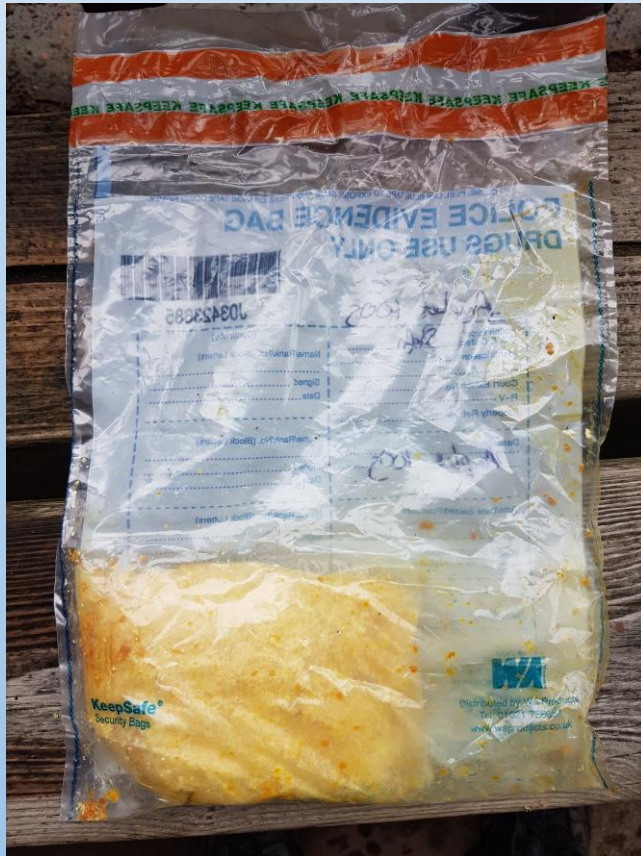


It is illegal to have, give away or deal in class C drugs, and to grow Cannabis plants.

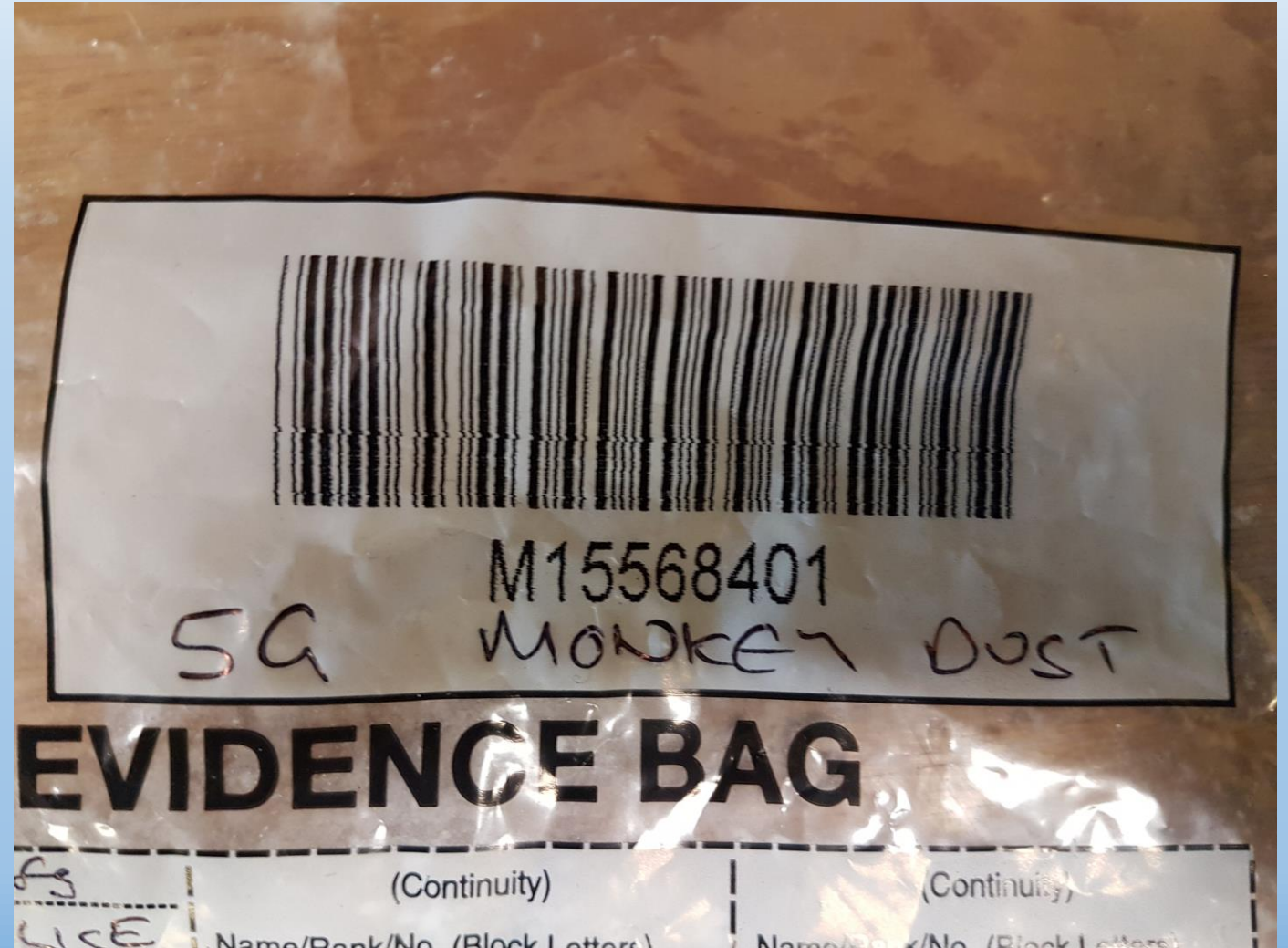
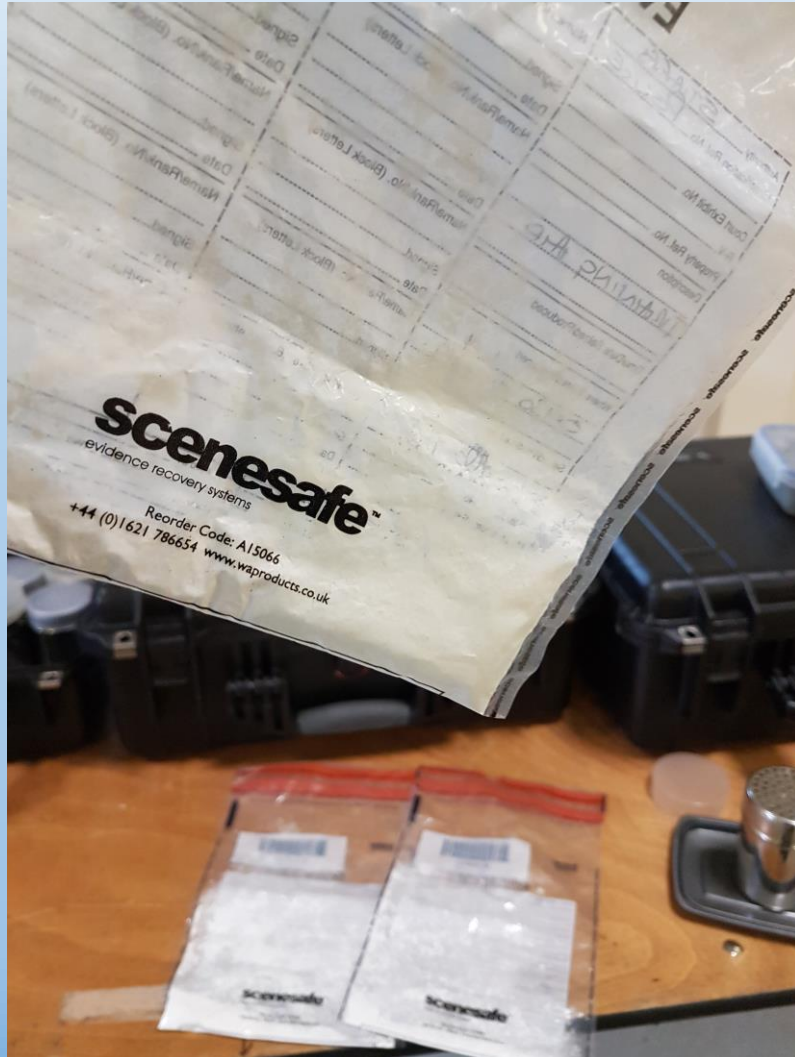
Maximum penalties for possession are 2 years in prison plus an unlimited fine.

Dealing or supplying could get you 14 years plus unlimited fine.

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Thank you

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