



Use of Online False Personas in Investigations Module

Module Summary

This is a hands on, practical module designed to enable delegates to build, maintain and deploy 'Online False Personas' for use in Internet based investigations.

This module is aimed at Passive Online False Personas deployed in a manner enabling them to be adopted by covert operatives when necessary.

This module is designed to be delivered over **1 day**.

Module Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of this module, delegates will be able to:

Describe a Communications Profile

Discuss the structure of the internet

Apply appropriate safeguards when operating online to protect tactics including anonymisation

Demonstrate the creation and maintenance of the components of an Online False Persona.

Demonstrate the effective deployment of an Online False Persona

Identify and Manage Potential Compromise

Demonstrate the use of digital imagery to support an Online False Persona

State legislation and procedural practices which may influence the deployment of Online False Personas in internet based investigations

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0900-0930	0930-1030	1045-1115	1115-1230		1300-1445	1500- 1615	1615-1645
Introductions and Course Outline 1.0	Communication Profiles 1.1	Anonymisation and Virtual Private Networks 1.2	Components of an Online False Persona 1.3		Building an Online Legend (Practical Session) 1.4	Deploying an Online False Persona (Practical Session) 1.5	Legislation Influencing Online False Personas 1.6

Module Delivery Sessions

Module Opening

- 1.0.1 Health and Safety
- 1.0.2 Module Outline
- 1.0.3 Learning Outcomes and Timetable
- 1.0.4 Introductions

Communication Profiles

- 1.1.1 What is a communication Profile?
- 1.1.2 Keeping a Communications Profile current
- 1.1.3 Source of Information for a Communications Profile
- 1.1.4 What is the Internet?
- 1.1.5 Digital Footprints and Digital Shadows

Anonymisation

- 1.2.1 Why anonymise?
- 1.2.2 Virtual Private Networks
- 1.2.3 Browser based tools
- 1.2.4 Other anonymisation techniques

Components of an Online False Persona

- 1.3.1 Email and Mobile Telephone
- 1.3.2 Facebook
- 1.3.3 Other Social Media and Forums
- 1.3.4 Websites
- 1.3.5 Managing Meta and Exif Data
- 1.3.6 Internet Traces
- 1.3.7 Real World

Building an Online Legend

- 1.4.1 What to Include
- 1.4.2 History and Time Scales
- 1.4.3 Friends and Associates
- 1.4.4 Digital Images
- 1.4.5 Geolocation

Deploying an Online False Persona

- 1.5.1 Intelligence Gathering
- 1.5.2 Selecting the Appropriate Online False Persona
- 1.5.3 Friend Requests
- 1.5.4 Managing Internet traces
- 1.5.5 Managing Interaction Requests
- 1.5.6 Identifying and Dealing With Compromise
- 1.5.7 Handing over an Online False Persona

Legislation and Procedures

- 1.6.1 Legislation effecting internet investigation
- 1.6.2 Stated cases influencing online investigative tactics
- 1.6.3 Directed surveillance online
- 1.6.4 CHIS and Relevant Source
- 1.6.5 National law enforcement guidance
- 1.6.6 Local procedure and policy