



THE POLICE TRAINING CENTRE IN LEGIONOWO



THE POLICE TRAINING CENTRE

Pic. 1, 2. The Training Centre in Kal.



Pic. 3-5. The Police Training Centre in Legionowo.



Węgorzewo

The Training Centre in Kal

The Police Training Centre in Legionowo

WARSZAWA

Grójec

The Police Canine Unit in Sułkowie



Pic. 6, 7. The Police Canine Unit in Sułkowie.

THE POLICE TRAINING CENTRE – ESTABLISHMENT

The Police Training Centre in Legionowo (PTC) was set up by order No 85 of the Minister of the Internal Affairs of 27 October 1990.

Dog Handlers and Dog Training School in Sułkowie was incorporated into the Police Training Centre in 1992, whereas the Central Vocational Training Centre for the Water Police in Kal, near Węgorzewo in 1997.

Since the PTC was established,

it has significantly changed. Structure, curricula and training methodology have been modified. Learning facilities have been modernised and extended. However, main task of the PTC remains the same – it is conducting basic training and in-service training of police officers and employees of the police. On 17 June 1995, the Centre adopted the flag, funded by the community of Legionowo.



Pic. 8. Celebrations of the Police Day in 2024.



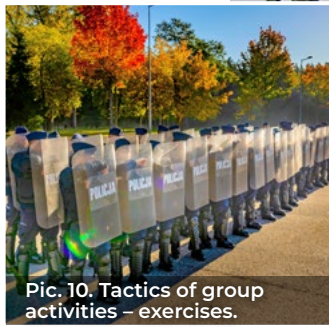
Pic. 9. The main lecture building of the PTC.

TRAINING FACILITIES OF THE POLICE TRAINING CENTRE



The Police Training Centre in Legionowo

In Legionowo, the management is seated and most training courses are conducted.



Pic. 10. Tactics of group activities – exercises.



Pic. 11. Practical exercises in providing information to the media on site.



Pic. 12. Practical exercises in police interventions.

Pic. 13. Outdoor obstacle course of the PTC.

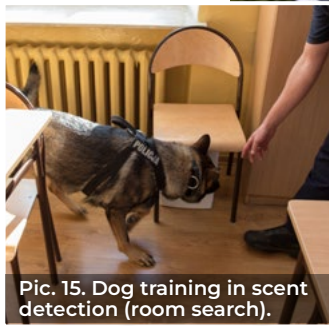


Pic. 14. Traffic management training.



The Police Canine Unit in Sułkowiec

In Sułkowiec (near Grójec), there is a training centre for handlers and service dogs.



Pic. 15. Dog training in scent detection (room search).



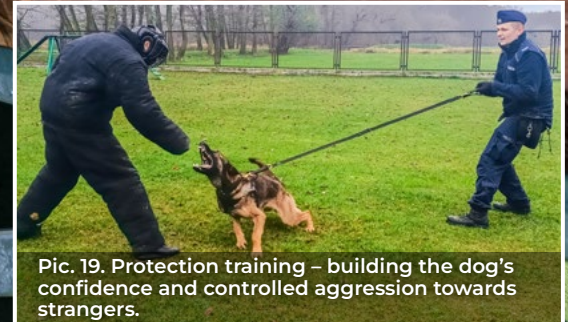
Pic. 16. Obstacle course training for police dogs.



Pic. 17. Basic obedience training for police dogs.



Pic. 18. Dog obstacle course training.



Pic. 19. Protection training – building the dog's confidence and controlled aggression towards strangers.



The Training Centre in Kal

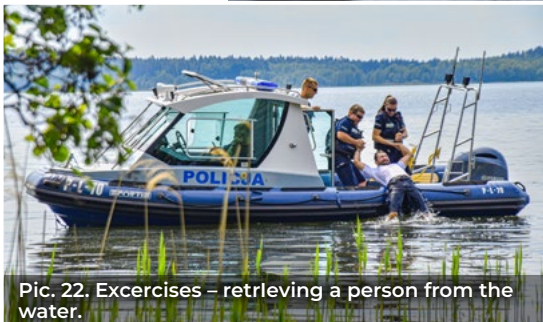
The Training Centre in Kal (near Węgorzewo) is a place where trainees of specialist courses for water police officers can improve their skills and qualifications.



Pic. 20. PARKER RIB BALTIC 900 – exercises in manoeuvring a police boat.



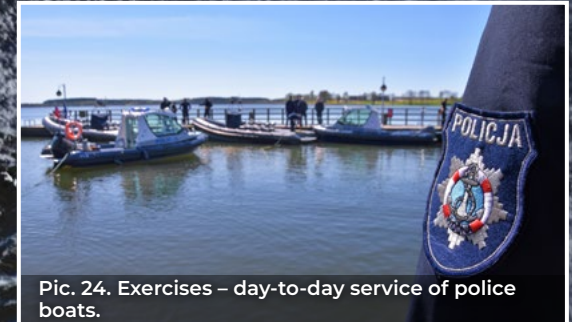
Pic. 21. Classes in service of engines used in police boats.



Pic. 22. Exercises – retrieving a person from the water.



Pic. 23. Classes with the use of motorboats.



Pic. 24. Exercises – day-to-day service of police boats.

MANAGEMENT AND STRUCTURE OF THE POLICE TRAINING CENTRE



The Centre is managed by the Commandant. In order to complete statutory tasks, the structure of the Centre was divided into three divisions: staff units which are directly subor-

ordinate to the Commandant, educational units managed by the Deputy Commandant for Didactics and logistics units subordinate to the Deputy Commandant for Logistics.

LEARNING FACILITIES

The learning facilities of the PTC include, among others, a police interventions hall, a sporting hall, a swimming pool, special labs, role play buildings and a shooting range. Legionowo is also location of the Police Command Centre, the aim of which is to ensure central safety management systems and information exchange during national police operations. The library is an important element that significantly improves effectiveness of training. The library stocks mainly include literature on safety and public order protection, organisation and action of the police in Poland and abroad, forensic science, criminology, law, forensics, social, economic and political sciences.

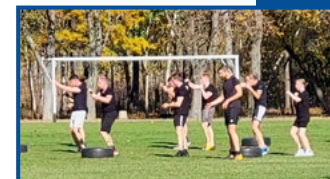
The multiplicity and diversity of specialist courses and curricula of basic vocational courses, sergeant courses and warrant courses assigned to the PTC by the Commander-in-Chief of the Police require the availability of modern teaching aids – adequate to the equipment used by officers on duty. Such aids include, among others: a bomb disposal manipulator, a pyrotechnic launcher, handheld mobile data terminals, a demonstration of two-circuit brake and steering system, firearms, handheld speed guns (including laser guns with and without a camera), mobile speed cameras, total stations, police motorcycles, motorboats and an Emergency Vehicle of Traffic Police.



Pic. 25-27. Police Interventions Hall and exercises on the gym flooring and at the gym.



Pic. 28-31. Shooting range and classes in shooting.



Pic. 32-35. Sporting hall, swimming pool and stadium, classes in swimming, fitness and police interventions.

BASIC VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND IN-SERVICE TRAINING

The Police Training Centre in Legionowo delivers basic, sergeant, warrant and officer training courses, as well as central in-service training through specialist courses and other training activities.



Pic. 36. Theoretical classes at specialist courses.

Vocational training: basic, sergeant, warrant and commissioned officer



Pic. 41. Exercises for obstacle course racing.

Basic vocational training is intended for policemen starting to work in the police. The training prepares cadets to properly and effectively conduct their duties in the basic position of preventive service, patrol and interventions units or riot police units.

Sergeant, warrant and commissioned officer training courses prepare police officers for roles requiring the respective level of professional qualification.



Pic. 37. Classes in team and individual drill.



Pic. 38. Classes in police interventions.



Pic. 39. Police interventions exercises.



Pic. 40. Shooting classes.

Central in-service training



Pic. 42. Classes in motorcycle riding technique.

Central in-service training is conducted in the form of specialist courses and other activities. It aims at acquiring, updating, developing and expanding knowledge and skills required to conduct duties and tasks by police officers. It also gives opportunity to grant additional instructor endorsements.

The PTC, as the only police school in Poland, conducts in-service training in: bomb disposal and pyrotechnic actions, water police, examination of traffic and construction disaster sites, riding road motorcycles and cars, dog

training and surveillance. Not only police officers and employees participate in the above mentioned courses. They are also conducted for representatives of other uniformed services e.g. the Internal Security Agency, the Foreign Intelligence Agency, the State Fire Service, the State Protection Service and soldiers from units of the Polish Army.

The Police Training Centre in Legionowo is responsible for conducting 85 kinds of specialist courses (37 of them are organised only by the PTC). A few of them are listed below.

In-service training in prevention

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ for police duty officers,
- ▶ in counteracting domestic violence,
- ▶ for policemen-spotters,
- ▶ in actions for minors and counteracting demoralisation and juvenile delinquency,
- ▶ for police officers responsible for escorting persons and conveying and protecting the secure mail,
- ▶ for community police officers.



Pic. 43. Classes in a course for duty officers.

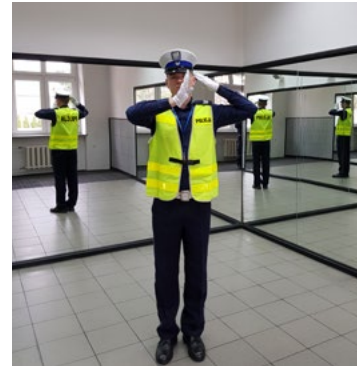


Pic. 44. A course for community officers.

In-service training for traffic police

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ in road traffic,
- ▶ in riding road motorcycles,
- ▶ in improving driving technique,
- ▶ in using mobile speed cameras,
- ▶ in controlling digital tachographs,
- ▶ in using handheld speed guns.



Pic. 45–48. Traffic management – exercises.



Pic. 49. Improving motorcycle riding technique.



Pic. 50. Training of traffic management in real-life conditions.



Pic. 51. Checking data collected by digital tachographs.



Pic. 52. Traffic control with the use of mobile speed cameras.



Pic. 53. Theoretical classes in pneumatic brake system.



Pic. 54. Control of car chassis in the vehicle inspection service.

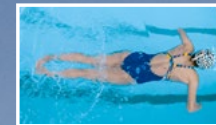
In-service training in actions on water

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ for police officers performing tasks on water and in water-side areas,
- ▶ for police officers operating police boats in difficult weather conditions.



Pic. 55. Training - basic maneuvers with a police boat.



Pic. 56-59. Swimming training for police officers.



Pic. 60-61. Practical exam for the helmsman license for inland sailing.



In-service training in tactics and intervention techniques and police shooting

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ in the field of tactics and intervention techniques,
- ▶ for police officers taking interventions against aggressive and dangerous persons,
- ▶ for police officers executing apprehensions of dangerous criminals,
- ▶ for instructors of police shooting,
- ▶ for instructors of police shootings in police anti-terrorist units/sections,
- ▶ in the field of handling firearms in conditions of increased stress,
- ▶ in the field of skills developing for instructors of police shooting.



Pic. 63. Apprehending a dangerous criminal moving in a vehicle.

Pic. 62. Long gun shooting.

In-service training in forensic science

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ for forensic technicians,
- ▶ for police officers executing tasks at the traffic incident scene,
- ▶ in the field of organizing and conducting inspections of traffic and construction disasters scene,
- ▶ in the field of operation of tacheometer,
- ▶ for police officers managing crime scene examinations units.



Pic. 64. Crime scene examination.



Pic. 65. Revealing dactyloscopic traces.



Pic. 66. Exercises in dimensioning the traffic incident scene.

In-service training in surveillance technique

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ in the field of foot surveillance,
- ▶ in the field of mobile surveillance,
- ▶ in the field of operational control.



Pic. 67. Observation of vehicles.



Pic. 68. Recording in a public place.

In-service training in criminal service

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ in the field of combating drug crime,
- ▶ in the field of neutralization of illegal drug laboratories,
- ▶ in the field of tactics and interrogation techniques,
- ▶ in the field of obtaining the Internet information for police officers combating computer crime,
- ▶ in the field of actions aimed at securing property with elements of supervision over these actions,
- ▶ for police officers in the field of using IT resources of Police National Information System (Polish: KSIP), other police systems, non-police systems and National Crime Information Centre (Polish: KCIK),
- ▶ for police officers acting as auxiliary prosecutors,
- ▶ for police officers acting as disciplinary officers,
- ▶ for persons carrying out tasks in the units competent for control matters in the Police.

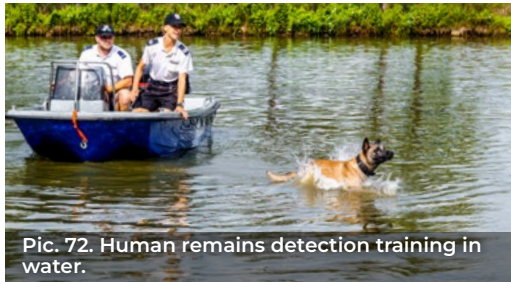


Pic. 69-71. Teaching materials and dummy substances used during exercises in specialist courses in the field of criminal service.

Professional development in police dog handling

Included specialist courses for candidates for dog handlers and for active service dog handlers in the following categories:

- ▶ patrol and tracking dogs,
- ▶ tracking dogs,
- ▶ patrol dogs,
- ▶ drug detection dogs,
- ▶ explosives detection dogs,
- ▶ firearms and ammunition detection dogs,
- ▶ human remains detection dogs (land),
- ▶ human remains detection dogs (water),
- ▶ tactical dogs,
- ▶ scent identification,
- ▶ mantrailing (level I-III).



Pic. 72. Human remains detection training in water.



Pic. 73. Course for handlers of battle actions dogs.



Pic. 74. Detection dog training (baggage search).



Pic. 75. Obstacle course training for police dogs.

In-service training in the field of bomb disposal and pyrotechnic actions

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ in the field of bomb disposal and pyrotechnic reconnaissance,
- ▶ in the field of independent conducting of bomb disposal and pyrotechnic actions,
- ▶ in the field of post-blast investigation,
- ▶ for bomb disposal and pyrotechnic experts – candidates for instructors.



Pic. 76. Pyrotechnic robot.

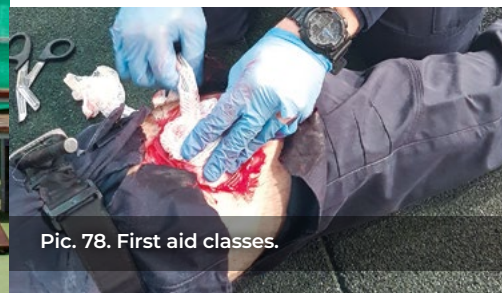


Pic. 77. Police pyrotechnic (bomb disposal and pyrotechnic expert) wearing specialist overalls named EOD (Explosive Ordnance Reconnaissance).

In-service training in the field of first aid

includes, among others, specialist courses:

- ▶ in the field of first aid,
- ▶ in the field of qualified first aid,
- ▶ for police officers recertifying their authorizations to perform tasks related to qualified first aid.



Pic. 78. First aid classes.



Pic. 79. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation exercises.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

For many years, the Police Training Centre (PTC) has been cooperating with foreign police schools, training centers for representatives of law enforcement institutions and judicial authorities as well as international police organizations, including the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL). The PTC also implements various EU educational projects. The goals of this cooperation are: development and implementation of training projects on vocational curricula, organization of exchange programs and study visits, and exchange on curricula and teaching methodology, as well as exchange of experience and improvement of professional competence. The Centre is also often visited by foreign delegations arriving at the invitation of, among others, the Minister of the Internal Affairs and Administration or the Police Commander-in-Chief. During such visits, the Polish Police training model, laboratory equipment and equipment used in the course of didactic classes are presented.



fho:pr



CEPOL
EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR
LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

Fig. 1. Emblems of schools and institutions cooperating with the PTC.



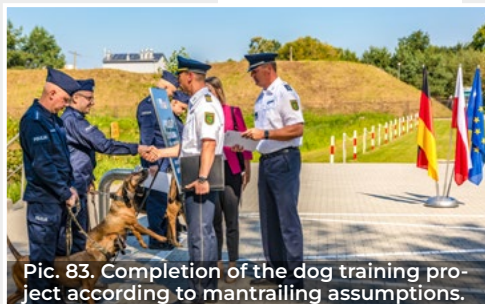
Pic. 80. CEPOL course implementation – simulation classes.



Pic. 81. Practical classes as part of study visit of German police officers.



Pic. 82. CEPOL – participants during the training.



Pic. 83. Completion of the dog training project according to mantrailing assumptions.

COOPERATION WITH SOCIETY

The PTC takes an active part in the life of Legionowo city. Trainers and students of the PTC conduct classes on safety in local educational institutions, support the local Police in patrolling tasks and mass events securing.

During meetings in schools and kindergartens, police teachers discuss issues related to the prevention of addictions, safe rest by the water as well as principles of first aid, cyber threats and the principles of youth responsibility for criminal acts.

The PTC Open Day is also organized, which allows children and teenagers to see the unit. Stands, educational and informational materials and classes prepared for this occasion in the field of prevention are aimed at promoting safe behavior among children and the youth.



Pic. 84-86. The PTC Open Day.



Pic. 87, 88. Preventive meetings of the PTC staff with children.

CONFERENCES AT THE PTC

The Centre, in addition to the main training activities, also organizes conferences, conventions, seminars, meetings and briefings.



Pic. 89. KAL 2023 – exercises (18 May 2023) and the International Seminar “Community Policing” (24–25 February 2026). Materials from other conference events organized at the PTC.

PUBLISHING

PTC publications mainly concern the issues of internal security, law, as well as specialist police knowledge – e.g. preventing and combating crime, tactics and intervention techniques, prevention, forensic techniques, road traffic safety, K9, water and water-side areas safety, shooting training, mining and pyrotechnics activities, Police history and tradition.

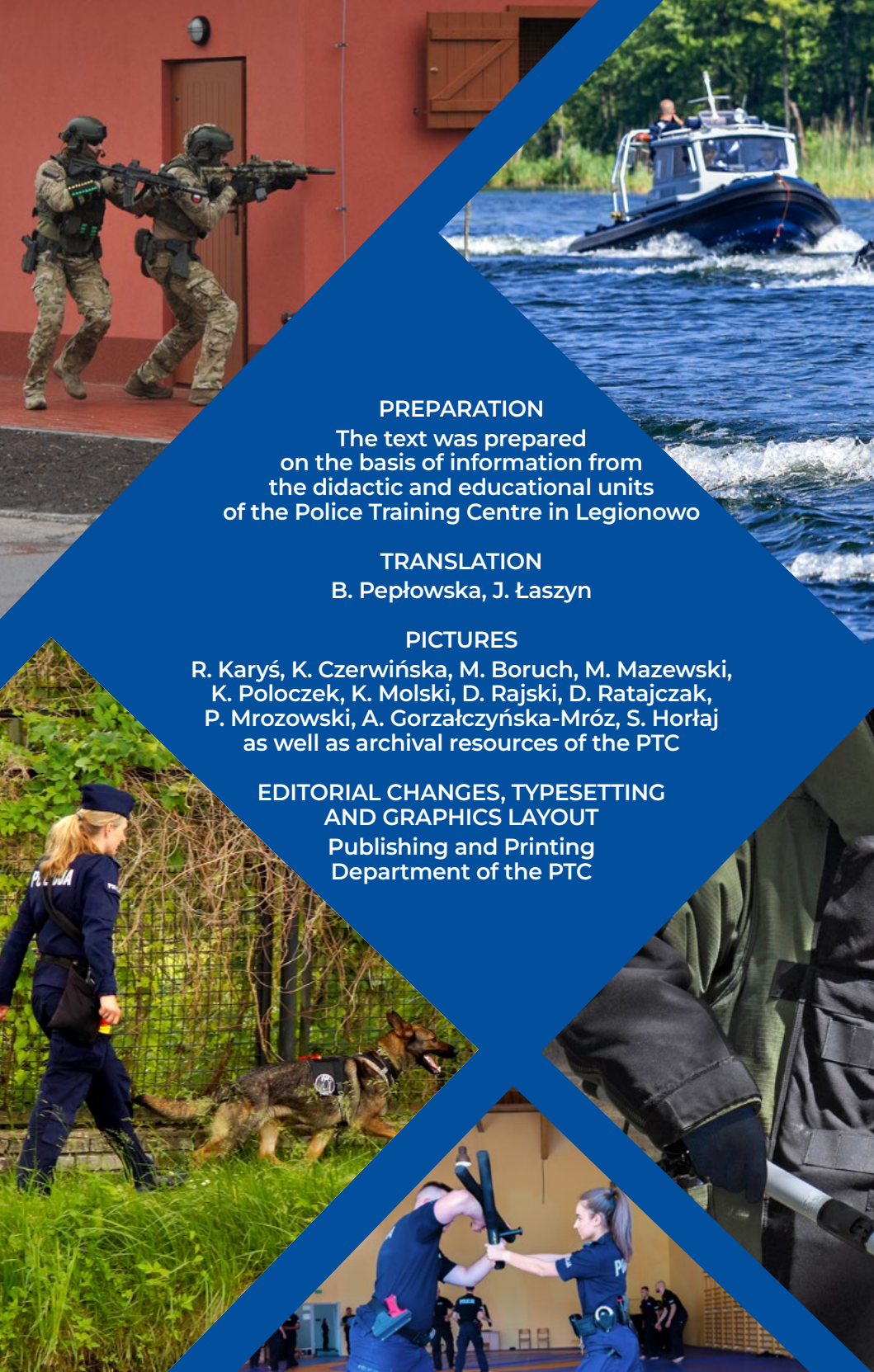
An important element of supporting the training and professional development of police officers is also the “Police Quarterly”, a PTC magazine, published since 2007. The quarterly is a forum for the exchange of knowledge and experience of the police community and the world of science, as well as an educational platform.



Pic. 90. Covers of selected PTC publications.



Fig. 2. Covers of the “Police Quarterly” in the years 2007-2026.



PREPARATION

The text was prepared on the basis of information from the didactic and educational units of the Police Training Centre in Legionowo

TRANSLATION

B. Pełowska, J. Łaszyn

PICTURES

R. Karyś, K. Czerwińska, M. Boruch, M. Mazewski, K. Poloczek, K. Molski, D. Rajski, D. Ratajczak, P. Mrozowski, A. Gorzałczyńska-Mróż, S. Horłaj as well as archival resources of the PTC

EDITORIAL CHANGES, TYPESETTING AND GRAPHICS LAYOUT

Publishing and Printing Department of the PTC