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The Importance of Ongoing Education in Locksmithing: Yankee Security Convention 2024

In the rapidly evolving field of locksmithing and security, staying current with the latest technologies, techniques, and industry standards is crucial for maintaining a competitive edge. The 2024 Yankee Security Convention, taking place from October 23rd to 27th, offers an unparalleled opportunity for professionals to enhance their skills through a comprehensive lineup of educational classes.

This year's convention features four distinct educational tracks designed to cater to various areas of expertise: Basic and Mechanical Locksmithing, Access Control, Safes, and Automotive.

Each track provides specialized training that is essential for both beginners and seasoned professionals. Whether you're looking to refine your foundational locksmithing skills, dive into the intricacies of access control systems, expand your knowledge of safe work, or master automotive locksmithing, the Yankee Security Convention has something for everyone.

Featured Educational Classes

While the convention offers a wide range of classes across these tracks, this month we are highlighting three standout classes being offered this year as a way to show you the wide variety of topics our show curriculum covers.



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1. Two-Day Low Voltage Electricity, Circuit Development, Wiring & Troubleshooting (Class #3A & #3B) – Wednesday, 10/23 & Thursday, 10/24 with instructor Rodger Schmidt, ALOA and sponsored by AssaAbloy.

This two-day intensive course is perfect for those looking to deepen their understanding of low voltage electricity and circuit development. The class offers hands-on training with circuits, switches, locks, and power distribution boards. Participants will engage in circuit drawing exercises, learn about different types of circuits and electronic locks, and gain practical experience with multi-meter testing. The course culminates in a new team project, allowing students to apply their knowledge to real-world scenarios. Note: Students must register separately for both days.

2. Motorcycle Key Generation (Class #5) – Wednesday, 10/23 with instructor Ed Woods and sponsored by the Yankee Security Convention.

In this hands-on class, participants will learn the skills necessary to generate keys for motorcycles, even in all-lost-key situations. The techniques taught will also apply to other wafer locks found on vehicles such as scooters, quads, boats, and snowmobiles.

The class includes a practical session where students will read, pick, and decode locks, equipping them with the skills to handle a variety of automotive locksmithing challenges. Additionally, the class will cover information on transponder systems, making it an invaluable resource for anyone working with modern vehicles.



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3. NEW THIS YEAR! CPR & AED Certification (Class #E3) – Wednesday, 10/23 with instructor DJ Dabenigno and sponsored by Celtic Training Academy.

While this class may seem outside the traditional scope of locksmithing, it's an essential skill set for any professional. The CPR & AED Certification class teaches participants how to recognize life-threatening emergencies, provide CPR, use an AED, and relieve choking, following current American Heart Association guidelines. The certification is valid for two years and could prove lifesaving in both personal and professional environments. Given its limited slots, early registration is highly recommended.

So there you have just three of our many, many courses. You can get a complete look at ALL of our classes in our Educational Sessions guide on the Yankee Security [website](#) or by [clicking here](#).

Register Today and Secure Your Spot!

Again, these highlighted classes are just a glimpse of what the Yankee Security Convention has to offer. With a variety of tracks and expert instructors, there's a class for every professional looking to advance their knowledge and skills.

Don't miss this chance to invest in your career and stay ahead in the ever-changing locksmithing industry. [Click here](#) to register for your classes today and be a part of the premier educational event of the year!