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Introduction

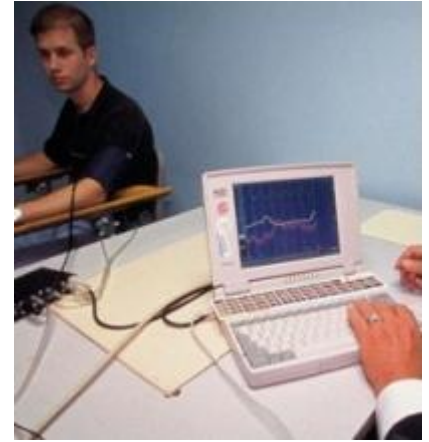
Thank you for requesting my brochure on the procedures of taking a Polygraph test.

My services are available to personal and business clients in all locations in the UK and throughout Europe. I can also be available to clients Worldwide if needed.

I am a professionally trained examiner and I have full membership of the British Polygraph Association and associate membership of the American Polygraph Association.

I am the third longest professionally trained examiner in private practise in the UK. My services have been widely used by clients in commercial, private and legal capacities. I specialise in all areas including, but not limited to relationship, theft, fraud, sexual abuse/assault, murder, confirming innocence and general integrity issues.

I conduct examinations in Northern Ireland (Belfast) on a regular basis.



How does the polygraph work?

The polygraph works by tracing changes in a person's Physiological conditioning during questioning. This is done by attaching various components to the subject.

Pneumograph – Two rubber pneumograph tubes are placed around the subject's upper chest and abdomen; these record respiration and movement.

G.S.R – The GSR or galvanic skin response is traced by placing two fingerplates across the subject's ring and index finger of the right hand. These trace changes in skin resistance during the examination.

Cardiosphygmograph – This component traces changes in the subject's relative blood pressure and pulse rate, and is similar to the pressure cuff your doctor uses to take your blood pressure.

While the subject is attached to the equipment described above, he/she is asked previously agreed and carefully constructed questions, and in replying his/her body generates tracings on the polygraph charts. In analysing these tracings, the examiner reaches a conclusion to the subject's honesty regarding the issue.

Question Formulation – I carry out polygraph tests using the latest question techniques.

The examiner will work with the client to construct questions that cover the test issue as well as meeting the strict rules that ensure validity. The latest techniques allow a maximum of three relevant questions within a test.

All questions are fully reviewed and agreed with the client before the test commences.

How reliable is the polygraph?

Reliability – There is no doubt that the polygraph is highly reliable, providing the examiner using it, is highly trained and uses validated Techniques.

The American Polygraph Association (APA) has gathered over 200 studies on the subject, you can view further information at their web site www.polygraph.org. Based on twelve separate studies involving 2174 actual cases since 1980, evidence suggests that qualified polygraph examiners are 98% accurate in their overall decisions (Refer: Ainsley, N 1990 The validity and reliability of Polygraph examinations in real cases).

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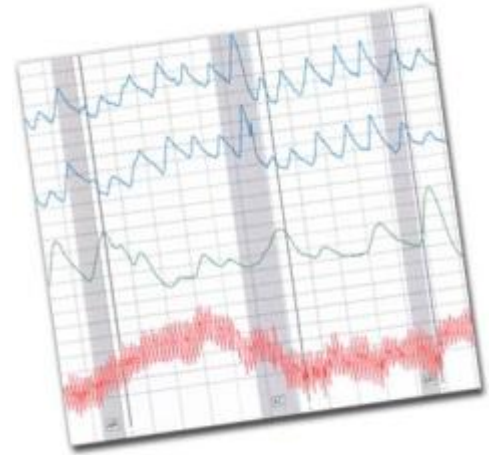
The test process

A polygraph examination typically takes around 2-3 hours from beginning to end, and consists of three different phases; pre-test interview, collection of charts, and analysis of Charts.

Pre-test interview – during the pre test interview the examiner will explain how the polygraph works. He will then discuss the specific issue, develop and review all the questions to be asked on the polygraph test. This stage is normally the longest to complete and can take anything from 45 to 90 minutes.

Collection of Charts - During this phase the subject will be attached to the polygraph. The set of questions, which were developed during the pre-test interview, will be asked several times. During this stage only the examiner and subject will be present.

Analysis of Charts - Once the examiner has collected the charts he will analyse the results before giving a decision as to the subject's truthfulness or deception.



What you should ask before taking a test

1. Is the examiner professionally trained at a polygraph school accredited by the American Polygraph Association?
2. Is the examiner a member of British Polygraph Association?
3. Does the examiner use modern computerised polygraph instruments and test techniques.
4. Has the examiner passed the APA exam and do they undertake the bi-annual update personal training?

Where are UK Polygraph Services Located

Tests take place in Grays, Essex, however I will travel to any location in the UK or Europe. If you require me to travel, you need to provide a quiet, private, distraction free room for the test. This can be a hotel meeting room, a suitable office or your home (providing it is quiet & private). All tests are confidential.

Do nerves affect the results of a test?



Quite simply No! It is expected and understood that all people who undergo a polygraph test will be nervous, whether they intend to answer the questions truthfully or not. An examiner will look for responses over and above the examinee's normal heightened level of nervousness or anxiety.

Typically, an examinee remains nervous throughout the entire testing procedure rather than at specific points in that process. If nerves affected the result of a polygraph test, then nobody would ever pass!



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Can someone beat the test?

Provided that examiner conducting the test is trained and qualified it is highly improbable. The polygraph is a medical instrument that records changes in a person's autonomic reactivity whilst they answer questions, and if a person engages in behaviours in order to distort the polygraph tracings, it becomes evident to a trained examiner when he sees the tracings.

In most cases it is easy for a qualified examiner to determine if an examinee is attempting to alter the outcome of a test. When such behaviour is identified, a result of “purposeful non cooperation” is given.

Is the test confidential?

Yes. All tests results are kept strictly between the examiner, subject and the person requesting the test. The tests are recorded with video & audio for the protection of the client and examiner.

Full written reports are available on request.

Typical uses of the polygraph

- False claims
- Infidelity
- Sexual abuse
- Pre-employment screening
- Fraud
- Theft
- Accused of something you didn't do

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