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**LEGAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF THE USE OF  
POLYGRAPHIC INQUIRIES IN THE NATIONAL POLICE OF UKRAINE**

Paper is devoted to the study of legal, theoretical and psychological aspects of organizing and conducting surveys by use of a polygraph in the system of the National Police of Ukraine. The theory and practice of carrying out polygraph research in our country are analyzed, the expediency of use of the best practices of foreign countries

in this issue is emphasized. It is advisable to develop standardized questionnaires for law enforcement officers to carry out human resources control of various subject areas, as well as standardized questionnaires for the disclosure and investigation of typical crimes such as murder, terrorist acts, theft, robbery, rape, drug trafficking, human trafficking, cases of hooliganism, fraud, counterfeiting, etc. It is advisable to develop standardized questionnaires for law enforcement officers to carry out human resources checks of various substantive directions, as well as standardized questionnaires for the disclosure and investigation of typical crimes such as murder, terrorist acts, theft, robbery, rape, drug trafficking, human trafficking, cases of hooliganism, fraud, counterfeiting of money, etc. According to the author, there are two main directions of an improvement of the use of a polygraph in law enforcement agencies, in particular: development of psychological mechanisms for polygraph examinations and the introduction of a new legislative and regulatory framework.

For the wide introduction of polygraph technologies into the activity of the law-enforcement system of the state it is mainly important to develop a psychological direction. Thus, it is advisable to introduce uniform requirements for psychological procuring for conducting polygraph inquiries, this concerns the development of standardized valid polygraph questionnaires (tests) that would be approved at the level of the Department of Personnel Support of the National Police of Ukraine and would be recommended for use in conducting a competition for service in the police.

Paper outlines the directions of an improvement of the legal and psychological aspects of using polygraph surveys of law enforcement officers, in particular, regarding the development of the legislative and regulatory framework for the use of a polygraph in the National Police, psychological substantiation and standardization of polygraph examinations, the identification of psychological conditions for conducting pretest conversation, demeanor with the surveyed, the formulation of questions, the identification of counteraction to the interrogation, the visual features of false information, etc.

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