

**TOP DETECTOR CASE
2008
Officer Michael R. Howell
K-9 Max
Florida Department of Transportation**

On October 12, 2008, Officer Michael Howell, conducted a traffic stop of a commercial vehicle, on Interstate 10, in Walton County, Florida. Officer Howell on conducting a commercial vehicle inspection found several indicators of ongoing criminal activity. Officer Howell deployed K-9 Max to conduct an exterior sniff of the commercial vehicle.

K-9 Max responded with positive alerts, to a narcotic odor emitting from within the commercial vehicle.

A subsequent search resulted in the discovery of 150 kilo packages of cocaine, weighing 350 lbs, along with \$3000 dollars in US currency. The packaged cocaine was hidden between pallets a Coca-Cola.

**The 2008 Detector Top Detector Case for 2008
IS AWARDED TO: Officer Michael Howell and K-9 Max truly a
Top Team and the Top Case for 2008.**