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<b>SUBJECT:</b>	USE OF DEFENSIVE DEVICES
<b>RELATED SECTIONS:</b>	DSB P&P <a href="#">1.7</a> , SDSD P&P SECTION 6.66, 8.1, 8.2 and Addendum F

**PURPOSE**

To provide general guidelines for the display and/or use of authorized defensive devices within the Sheriff's Detention Services Bureau.

**POLICY**

Authorized defensive devices shall be operated by trained and qualified personnel. Absent exigent circumstances, the watch commander, sergeant or their designee shall be notified prior to deploying specialty munitions. The use of defensive devices listed in this policy section shall adhere to departmental use of force guidelines, including but not limited to those found in San Diego County Sheriff's Department Policy and Procedures Manual, Addendum F. Operators of the below listed devices must distinguish between inmates displaying "assaultive" behavior from those who are passively resistant. Careful consideration of the totality of the circumstances should be given prior to utilizing these devices. Inmates subjected to any of the proceeding devices will be assessed/treated by medical staff as soon as practical.

**PROCEDURE**

I. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

II. Use of the defensive devices listed in this policy section shall be documented according to established department use of force reporting guidelines, including but not limited to those found in the San Diego County Sheriff's Department Policy and Procedures Manual, Addendum F.

Use of the aforementioned defensive devices shall be documented in the narrative of a NetRMS report. The force will be documented as outlined in Detention Policy and Procedures Section I.89.

Color photographs shall be taken showing the area where the devices/rounds came into contact with the inmate(s).

- III. A list of authorized defensive devices available at each detention facility shall be maintained in each detention facility's Green Sheets.
- IV. In the event of an inmate death, detention facility personnel shall follow the procedures set forth in Section M.7 of the Detention Services Policy and Procedures Manual and Section 8.2 of the Sheriff's Department Policy and Procedures Manual.
- V. Field deputies/officers and Prisoner Transportation Unit personnel shall adhere to Detention Services Bureau Policy and Procedure Section [1.69](#) Facility Security-Weapons, regarding the securing of weapons prior to entering the secured area of any facility.
- VI. When necessary and objectively reasonable to maintain or restore order, the watch commander or designee may authorize the use of any one or all of the following defensive devices:

A. [REDACTED]

- 1. Facility commanders or designees should ensure each shift deploys a minimum of one deputy trained and qualified to use (or test) [REDACTED]
- 2. Personnel may display the device to the inmate prior to using it. If it is necessary to apply the device, the electronic current shall be discharged only as long as it is reasonable to bring the inmate under control.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

b. Detention facility personnel shall maintain documentation of the weekly testing and maintenance.

■ [REDACTED]

- 1. Facility commanders or designees should ensure a minimum of one deputy trained and qualified to use [REDACTED] is assigned to each shift.
- 2. Whenever an inmate(s) is struck by a projectile from [REDACTED], refer the inmate(s) to medical staff for assessment and treatment as soon as practical.
- 3. Whenever possible, the use of [REDACTED] should be digitally recorded.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

1. Facility commanders or designees should ensure a minimum of one deputy trained and qualified to deploy [REDACTED] is assigned to each shift.
2. Whenever an inmate(s) is subjected to a projectile from the [REDACTED], the inmate shall be referred to medical staff for medical assessment and treatment as soon as practical.

[REDACTED]

The serial number and the circumstances regarding the use of the [REDACTED] shall be included in the report. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

4. [REDACTED] shall be secured in a locked and safe area. Detention facility personnel shall conduct a monthly inventory of its [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

█ [REDACTED]

- █ [REDACTED]
- █ [REDACTED]
- █ [REDACTED]
- █ [REDACTED]
- █ [REDACTED]

2. Facility commanders or designees should ensure a minimum of one deputy trained and qualified to use the [REDACTED] is assigned to each shift.
3. Whenever an inmate(s) is struck by a [REDACTED] refer the inmate(s) to medical staff for assessment and treatment as soon as practical.
4. Whenever possible, the use of the [REDACTED] should be digitally recorded.

█ [REDACTED]

- █ [REDACTED]
- █ [REDACTED]
- █ [REDACTED]
- █ [REDACTED]

4. Whenever possible, the use of the [REDACTED] should be digitally recorded.

█ [REDACTED]

1. Personnel shall be considered trained and qualified in [REDACTED] upon completion of a course of instruction coordinated by the Detention or Law Enforcement In-Service Training Unit in conjunction with the Weapons Training Unit.

2. The [REDACTED] shall be stored in identified secure locations within the detention facility, such as a Tactical Response Room or Armory. Detention facilities shall develop Green Sheets indicating their [REDACTED] storage locations.
3. Trained personnel are authorized to carry the [REDACTED], within a detention facility, on their person during the course of their normal duties. Authorized deputies will be those who are specifically identified and pre-designated to work by the facility commander or designee. Detention facilities shall develop Green Sheets indicating [REDACTED] authorized work areas.
4. Trained personnel may obtain a [REDACTED] from the identified secure facility locations when responding to an inmate disturbance, and conditions are such that it would be necessary and objectively reasonable to deploy the weapon upon a subject.
5. Detention facility personnel assigned to perimeter security or transportation positions, who are certified, may carry the [REDACTED] on their person during the course of their duties. [REDACTED]
6. It shall be the responsibility of each detention facility to maintain an adequate supply of [REDACTED] for issuance to the personnel trained and qualified in its use.
7. Whenever a [REDACTED] detention facility medical staff shall be contacted to initiate a medical evaluation of the subject. The [REDACTED] shall be removed by detention medical staff as soon as practical.
8. Personnel may display the device to the inmate prior to using it. If it is necessary to apply the device, use the shortest, [REDACTED]
9. [REDACTED] This test shall be documented in the Jail Information Management System Area Checklist. Facility administrative staff shall coordinate the maintenance, repair, and purchasing of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

2. Sworn personnel assigned to the Detention Services Bureau shall be considered trained and qualified in [REDACTED] use after the successful completion of the core Academy.
3. It shall be the responsibility of each detention facility to budget for and purchase adequate supplies of [REDACTED] for issuance to the personnel trained and qualified in its use. [REDACTED]
4. Whenever a deputy uses [REDACTED] he/she shall notify the watch commander as soon as practical, but no later than the end of shift. This notification shall include the circumstances surrounding the deputy's decision to use [REDACTED]
5. Whenever [REDACTED] is used, the medical staff shall be contacted to initiate decontamination measures.
6. An accidental use of [REDACTED] requires a Deputy's Report.

[REDACTED]

1. Sworn personnel assigned to the Detention Services Bureau, who are trained and qualified in the use of the [REDACTED], are authorized to use the department-approved [REDACTED] while performing a cell extraction.
2. Sworn personnel assigned to the Detention Services Bureau should be considered trained in the [REDACTED] use after the successful completion of a course of instruction coordinated by the Detention In-Service Training Unit.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- a. The posted instructions shall be followed when re-filling the one liter cylinder.
- b. Once the Cylinder is filled there is no need for it to be discharged if not used during a cell extraction.
- c. The [Cylinder Fill Log \(J-190\)](#) form will be completed each time a cylinder is filled.

[REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]
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  2. Sworn personnel assigned to the Detention Services Bureau should be considered trained in the [REDACTED] use after the successful completion of a course of instruction coordinated by the Detention In-Service Training Unit.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

J. TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION

Personnel shall be considered trained in listed defensive devices use, after the successful completion of a course taught by a certified instructor. For certification and course content, contact the Detention In-Service Training Unit (DTU).