SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT COURT SERVICES BUREAU POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

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Purpose:

To provide general guidelines in the event of an occurrence within a court holding facility which requires the forceful extraction of inmates from court holding cells. Because of the wide range of possible disturbances and extraction situations, specific guidelines are impractical.

Policy:

Forceful inmate extraction techniques will be used only when the inmate(s) presents a danger to himself or others, or refuses to follow deputy's instructions. The safety of the CSB Staff will be the first priority.

Procedure:

All forceful extractions will be performed under the direct supervision of the court Lieutenant or designee. Only approved techniques and equipment shall be used.

- 1. The requesting court will be notified of the delay. The judge may opt to cancel or modify the OTP.
- 2. Involved inmates must be given at least two verbal warnings to comply with orders prior to forceful extraction. At least one of these warnings should be from the court Lieutenant or designee on the scene.
- 3. Extraction operations will only be deployed with sufficient personnel and equipment to assure reasonable staff safety. Cell extractions will be conducted in accordance with Department Policy, using only that force that is necessary and reasonable.
- 4. When possible, the court Lieutenant will have the cell extraction event recorded on videotape. The tape will be either entered into evidence, if criminal charges are filed against the inmate or, it must be held for administrative review for a period of two years.