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

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August 3, 2018	BUREAU-WIDE	COURT SERVICES	F.21
SUBJECT:			
AUTHORIZED RESTRAINT DEVICES – TITLE 15 COMPLIANCE			

Purpose:

To establish a list of authorized restraint devices available for use by sworn staff of the Court Services Bureau (CSB) and document the training required to use the devices. This section is intended to comply with Title 15, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 4, Article 5 section 1058.

Policy:

There are a variety of restraint devices available for CSB staff to employ. No staff member should use a piece of restraint equipment unless they have been specifically trained in its proper application. Use of restraint equipment must fall within the guidelines set forth in CSB Policy and Procedure F.20 and Department Policy and Procedure 6.48 (use of force).

Procedure:

- I. R.E.A.C.T Belt System "Bandit"
 - A. Description: Remote Electronic Activated Control Technology
 - B. The R.E.A.C.T. Belt System is a multi-level security system utilizing non-lethal electronic immobilization technology
 - C. Required Training: The training consists of an eight-hour certification class. The department has trained instructors.

II. Waist Chains

- A. Description: A waist chain with handcuffs attached, and secured with a padlock.
- B. Required Training: Deputies receive proper application techniques during phase training.

III. Leg Restraints

A. Description: A chain placed around the ankles of the inmate secured with two 503 padlocks.

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B. Required Training: Deputies must demonstrate proper application techniques in phase training.

IV. Handcuffs

- A. Description: Handcuffs are a restraint device that limits the activity of an inmate and provides a means of control over them.
- B. Required Training: Deputies receive proper handcuffing techniques in the academy and phase training.

V. Floor Anchor Restraint

- A. Description: An eyebolt is secured to the floor of the courtroom. Leg chains are applied to the legs of the custody. An additional leg restraint chain is secured through the bolt and around the leg chain.
- B. Required Training: Deputies receive proper training in the application techniques during phase training.

VI. Flex Cuff

- A. Description: A disposable nylon plastic cuff secured on one end by a friction hasp.
- B. Required Training: Deputies receive proper application technique in phase training.

VII. Body Cuff Prisoner Restraint System

- A. Description: The Body Cuff is a waist belt with an adjustable nylon pad lined with abrasion-resistant, non-slip, material and DOT type seatbelt webbing. The belt has attached wrist and ankle restraints. An attached leash enables the escorting deputy to immobilize an inmate's leg from a distance.
- B. Required Training: Training consists of an approximately 10 minute video as well as hands on training.

VIII. The WRAP

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- A. Description: The WRAP is a 4-piece restraint system which includes the following items: locking shoulder harness, leg restraint, ankle strap and tactical bag. The shoulder harness positions the person in an upright seated position and provides a locking carabiner for securing handcuffs. The leg restraint is high grade mesh with 3-inch straps and stainless steel locking buckles used to secure legs in an extended position in order to eliminate the ability to kick. The ankle strap is 3 inches wide and used to secure the ankles in a crossed position. The tactical bag carries the above listed items in separate compartments in a ready to use configuration.
- B. Required Training: Training consists of an approximately 11 minute video as well as hands on training.