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## LINE-UP TRAINING

### **Irritant Filled Projectile Munitions System (IFPMS)**

**Topic # 86**

*After discussing/reviewing the below training material in line-up (briefing), sworn staff shall sign off as completed in LMS. In the event a staff member is not present when this topic is discussed in line-up, they shall independently read, review, and complete the training.*

*Completion of this line-up training topic includes reviewing the associated standardized PowerPoint presentation available on the DTU SharePoint site [\(#86-Standard Presentation\)](#).*

*By clicking "Yes" to "Have you completed this activity?" in LMS, you are attesting that you have viewed, read, and completed the training activity.*

#### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this training is to familiarize staff with the Irritant Filled Projectile Munitions (IFPMS).

#### **II. POLICY**

This training is conducted in adherence to [DSB P&P Section I.85 - Use of Defensive Devices](#) and [Department Policy Section 11 - Use of Force Guidelines](#)  
(Refer to the Standardized Power Point for details)

#### **III. DISCUSSION**

Staff shall discuss and review procedures related to the operation of an IFPMS.

##### **A. GENERAL OPERATION**

IFPMS are less-lethal high-pressure air launcher that combines chemical agent exposure with kinetic impact.

There are two types of IFPMS at the facilities. One is the Tippmann FT-12 and the other is the SA-200.

The most noticeable difference between the FT-12 and the SA-200 is that the SA-200 has a breach that can be manually opened and closed. The location of the charging handle on the SA-



200 is on the left side, while the FT-12's is on top. Besides the stated two features, the rest of the operation for either system is essentially the same.

Review ABCS' – Air, Breach, Charging Handle, Safety.  
Review Use of Force policy

"Trained" personnel may use specialty munitions as deemed reasonable and necessary based upon the circumstances of the incident. Absent exigent circumstances, the watch commander or designee shall be notified prior to deployment of specialty munitions in the detention setting.

B. AMMUNITION

Review the 3 types of ammunition authorized:

1. Red - PAVA ("live fire") sold by PepperBall
2. Clear – Water ("live fire") sold by PepperBall
3. Purple – Inert (training purposes) sold by PepperBall
4. "Z-balls" – Rubber, reusable rounds (training purposes) sold by PepperBall
5. Red – Pava and OC ("live fire") sold by Tactical Tech LLC, made by Duke Defense
6. Yellow - Inert (training purposes) sold by Tactical Tech LLC, made by Duke Defense
7. "Rubber" – Reusable, sold by Tactical Tech LLC, made by Duke Defense

C. WARNINGS

In situations where any force used is capable of causing serious injury or death, there is a requirement that, whenever feasible, the deputy must first warn the suspect that force will be used if there is not compliance.

If possible, warn other deputies specialty munitions are being deployed in order to avoid possible sympathetic fire if lethal options are around and available during the incident.

D. FORCE

Force includes the pointing of any firearm or weapon designed to fire a projectile and any incident involving the actual or attempted detention of a subject at gunpoint.

E. TARGET AREAS / AREAS TO AVOID / TARGETING RANGE:

1. TARGET – Large muscle groups such as: Upper thighs, calves, abdomen, and arms.
2. AVOID - Head, neck, throat, spine or groin, unless lethal force has been authorized.
3. 0 - 60 ft. Individual Target.
4. 0 - 150 ft. Area Saturation.
5. 0 – 30ft. Water rounds



F. REPORTING PROCEDURES

Deputies must verbally inform their supervisor as soon as practical, but in no event later than the end of shift when specialty munitions have been deployed. The deputy's written report must include all pertinent facts relative to the use of the specialty munitions and notification of a supervisor.

G. INJURY OR DEATH

Whenever an incarcerated person(s) is struck by a projectile from the IFPMS, refer the incarcerated person(s) to health staff for assessment and treatment as soon as practical.

The Division of Inspectional Services (DIS) will be notified of all incidents which result in serious injury or death.

In the event of death caused by a specialty munition, Department personnel will follow the procedures set forth in section [8.2 of the Sheriff's Department Manual of Policy and Procedures](#) and in the detentions setting, section [M.7 of the Detentions Services Policy and Procedures](#).