

# LINE-UP TRAINING

# **Conducted Energy Device (CED) Refresher**

Topic #91

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 ( $\frac{\#91}{-Standard Presentation}$ ).

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

To provide general guidelines for the operation of SDSO approved defensive devices such as the "X2" Taser - Conducted Energy Device (CED) within the Detention Services Bureau.

# II. POLICY

This training is conducted in adherence to <u>DSB P&P Section I.85</u> - Use of Defensive Devices and <u>Addendum F Section - Use of Force Guidelines</u>

(Refer to the Standardized Power Point for details).

# III. DISCUSSION

Staff shall discuss and review procedures related to the operation of a CED.

A. BASIC OPERATION

The CED also known as "TASER" is an intermediate force option. The CED is an electronic control device that is extremely effective for temporary immobilization of subjects. The CED produces 50,000 volts of electricity that cause involuntary muscle contraction and temporarily incapacitates a subject.

- 1. CED's shall only be operated by trained and certified personnel.
- 2. Absent exigent circumstances notify supervisor prior to deploying the CED.
- 3. CED shall only be used as a means of subduing and gaining control where there is an immediate threat justifying an intermediate level of force.



- 4. Use of force policy
  - a. Define and give examples of an immediate threat
  - b. Warnings prior to use (whenever feasible)
- 5. Precautions
- 6. Medical treatment
- 7. Reporting procedures
- 8. CED advantages
- 9. CED disadvantages or limitations

(Refer to standardized Power Point presentation for details)

#### \*\*WARNING\*\* DO NOT CONFUSE THE ARC SWITCH WITH THE TRIGGER \*\*WARNING\*\*.

#### B. 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.

### C. TARGET AREAS /DISTANCES

- 1. Preferred target areas include large muscles (back), lower torso
- 2. Areas to avoid are head, neck, face
- 3. Optimal deployment distance: 9 feet

#### D. REPORTING PROCEDURES

Absent exigent circumstances, the watch commander or designee shall be notified prior to deployment of specialty munitions in the detention setting. 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.

#### E. INJURY OR DEATH

Whenever an incarcerated person is struck by a projectile from the CED, refer the incarcerated person to health staff for assessment and treatment as soon as practical. Any abnormal or questionable physical presentation demands immediate medical attention.

In the event of death caused by a specialty munition, Department personnel will follow the procedures set forth in section <u>8.2 of the SDSO Manual of Policy and Procedures</u> and in the detentions setting, section <u>M.7 of the Detentions Services Policy and Procedure.</u>