El Centro Police Department ELECTRONIC CONTROL DEVICE COURSE OUTLINE Course Control # 3620-23090-19 Expanded Course Outline Revised 12/09/2019

Purpose:

The course will cover techniques for proper deployment of and certification of end users in the use of the electronic control devices, TASER X-26 and X-2.

I. WELCOMING REMARKS

- A. Introduction and Registration
 - 1. Students will sign roster
 - 2. Housekeeping issues such as restrooms, phones, etc...
 - 3. Summary of course content to be covered

II. OVERVIEW OF TASER X-26 AND X-2

- A. History of Taser Devices
 - 1. Evolution of the weapon
 - 2. TASER M-26 weapon
 - 3. TASER X-26 weapon
 - 4. TASER X-2 weapon
- B. Why it works?
 - 1. Conducted energy weapon
 - 2. Stun vs. NMI (Neuro-Muscular Incapacitation)
 - 3. Effects sensory and motor nervous system

III. ELECTRICAL AND MEDICAL SAFETY

- A. Electrical Safety
 - 1. Volts vs. Amps
 - 2. Underwriters laboratories

- 3. 1/100th the danger level
- B. Medical Safety
 - 1. No effect on the heart rhythm
 - 2. No long term effects
 - 3. Minor skin irritation
 - 4. No effect on the pacemaker

IV. TASER X-26 NOMENCLATURE AND OPERATIONS

- A. Nomenclature
 - 1. Safety and trigger demonstration
 - 2. Weapon nomenclature
 - 3. Battery indicator
 - 4. Data port issues
- B. Cartridges
 - 1. Compressed and inert nitrogen
 - 2. Blast door cover colors
 - 3. Penetration of probes is ¼ inch maximum
- C. Activation
 - 1. Trigger pull activates current for 5 full seconds
 - 2. Safety switch
 - 3. Preferred target zones
 - 4. Probe spread of 8 degrees
- D. Drive Stun Mode
 - 1. Cartridge in place
 - 2. No cartridge in place

- 3. Drive stun target areas
- E. Holsters
 - 1. Department police 309.2
 - 2. Cross body carry / weak hand carry
 - 3. Holsters (various user options)
- F. Maintenance
 - 1. Maintaining / checking the electronic control device
 - 2. Checking camera
 - 3. Checking cartridge

V. TASER X-2 NOMENCLATURE AND OPERATIONS

- A. Nomenclature
 - 1. Safety and trigger demonstration
 - 2. Weapon nomenclature
 - 3. Semi-automatic mode
 - 4. Battery indicator
 - 5. Data port issues
- B. Smart Cartridges
 - 1. Compressed and inert nitrogen
 - 2. Blast door cover colors
 - 3. Penetration of probes is ¹/₄ inch maximum
- C. Activation
 - 1. Trigger pull activates current for 5 full seconds
 - 2. Safety switch
 - 3. ARC button

- 4. Preferred target zones
- 5. Probe spread of 8 degrees
- D. Drive Stun Mode
 - 1. Cartridge in place
 - 2. No cartridge in place
 - 3. Drive stun target areas
- E. Holsters
 - 1. Department police 309.2
 - 2. Cross body carry / weak hand carry
 - 3. Holsters (various user options)
- F. Maintenance
 - 1. Maintaining / checking the electronic control device
 - 2. Checking HD camera
 - 3. Checking cartridge

VI. USE OF FORCE POLICY AND LEGAL ISSUES

- A. Case Law Update
 - 1. Bryan vs. McPherson
 - 2. Mattos vs. Agarano
 - 3. Brooks vs. City of Seattle
 - 4. Lindsay vs. Kiernan
- B. Department Policy
 - 1. Use: Policy 309.4
 - 2. Verbal and visual warnings: Policy 309.3
 - 3. Medical aid: Policy 309.5

- 4. Reporting procedures: Policy 309.4.2
- 5. Probe removal: Policy 309.5

VII. DISCHARGING TASER X-26 AND X-2

- A. Aiming
 - 1. Sight or laser sight
 - 2. Optimal deployment range; 12-18 ft.
 - 3. Optimal deployments (lower body and back)
- B. Tactical considerations
 - 1. Avoid "Taser" over-dependence
 - 2. Lethal cover
 - 3. Distance
 - 4. Back up for control / handcuff
 - 5. Attempt verbal compliance
 - 6. Display of Taser, laser or arc
 - 7. K-9
 - 8. Environment
 - 9. Announcements
 - 10. Window of opportunity
- C. Contingencies
 - 1. Clothing
 - 2. Single probe hits / misses
 - 3. Close probe spread
 - 4. Operator error
 - 5. Low nerve / low muscle mass

- 6. Wires break
- 7. Aiming angle / suspect's position

VIII. EFFECTS OF TASER X-26 AND X-2

- A. What to Expect
 - 1. Subject falls to the ground
 - 2. They freeze in place
 - 3. The subject will yell or scream
 - 4. No long term effects
- B. Voluntary Exposures
 - 1. Benefits
 - 2. Risks
 - 3. Exposure guidelines
 - 4. Exposure safety requirements
 - 5. Voluntary exposure demonstrations

IX. SKILLS DEMONSTRATED

- A. Manipulation of the weapon
 - 1. Bring weapon up to target
 - 2. Safety switch (off / on)
 - 3. Trigger pull (dry fire)
 - 4. Safety on
 - 5. Reload or change cartridge bay
- B. Static target discharge
 - 1. Loading (cartridge)
 - 2. Bring weapon up to target

- 3. Safety switch (off / on)
- 4. Discharge (live fire)
- 5. Unload
- 6. Reload

X. COURSE CONCLUSION

- A. Review
 - 1. Oral review (open class discussion of material)
 - 2. Questions & answers

B. Test

- 1. End of course test
- 2. Test review
- C. Certificates and Conclusion of Course