



FULLERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEMORANDUM
BOB DUNN, CHIEF OF POLICE

Date: June 9, 2020
To: All Fullerton Police Department Employees
From: Chief Robert Dunn
Subject: Directive #20-01 – Policy 300.3.4 Carotid Control Hold

The purpose of this directive is to update Fullerton Police Department policy 300.3.4 - 'Carotid Control Hold.' The following changes are effective immediately and will be incorporated into the Fullerton Police Department's Policy Manual during the next revision.

Background - On June 5, 2020, the Governor of California called for the immediate end to the carotid restraint hold and gave direction to POST to immediately ban its use. By June 6, 2020, POST had already sent out information that at their next POST Commission meeting they would be moving to remove the carotid curriculum from the Basic Police Academy Course. They also told POST certified departments that any previously approved/certified POST course with carotid curriculum has been decertified. Which in essence means, the carotid is no longer a POST approved restraint.

The following policy change will be in place until we get a policy recommendation from Lexipol. It is anticipated Lexipol will have a policy recommendation as a result of POST's actions and/or possible legislation in California.

300.3.4 CAROTID CONTROL HOLD

The carotid control hold is no longer authorized for use by members of the Fullerton Police Department.

