

## FULLERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINING BULLETIN

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## **Vehicle Pursuits - Lexipol Update**

California POST is currently reviewing and revising the 2007 pursuit guidelines. In anticipation of these revisions, it is the intent of this update to ensure that all agencies will be in compliance with the latest POST guidelines.

Changes to the policy included:

- PURPOSE AND SCOPE has been updated to focus the intent of this policy.
- VEHICLE PURSUIT DEFINED has been renamed DEFINITIONS for consistency
  with the manual, and additional terms have been added to assist in
  comprehension of this policy. Definitions that previously existed in other parts of
  this policy have been consolidated into this subsection and have been updated
  for clarity.
- POLICY has been added to explain the agency philosophy on vehicle pursuits.
- OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES has been updated for clarity.
- WHEN TO INITIATE A PURSUIT, WHEN TO TERMINATE A PURSUIT, and MOTORCYCLE OFFICERS have been updated for clarity.
- In **SPEED LIMITS**, "shall" has been changed to "should" to better reflect reasonable expectations in a variety of pursuit situations.
- In PURSUIT UNITS, content has been added to limit the participation of unmarked units and content has been updated to better reflect reasonable expectations in a variety of pursuit situations.
- VEHICLES WITHOUT EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT has been updated to strictly
  prohibit the participation in a vehicle pursuit of any vehicle without emergency
  equipment.
- PRIMARY UNIT RESPONSIBILITIES has been updated to clarify responsibilities.
- SECONDARY UNITS RESPONSIBILITIES has been renamed SECONDARY UNIT RESPONSIBILITIES, and content has been updated to clarify responsibilities.

- PURSUIT DRIVING TACTICS has been renamed PURSUIT DRIVING, and content has been updated for clarity.
- TACTICS/PROCEDURES FOR UNITS NOT INVOLVED IN THE PURSUIT has been deleted in its entirety, and the content has been moved to a new subsection, UNITS NOT INVOLVED IN THE PURSUIT.
- PURSUIT TRAILING has been updated for clarity, and content has been moved from this subsection to DEFINITIONS.
- AIRCRAFT ASSISTANCE has been renamed AIR SUPPORT ASSISTANCE to more broadly address the types of units that may assist in a pursuit, and the content has been updated for clarity.
- UNITS NOT INVOLVED IN THE PURSUIT has been added as a new subsection in PURSUIT UNITS. The content moved from TACTICS/PROCEDURES FOR UNITS NOT INVOLVED IN THE PURSUIT to this subsection has been updated for clarity.
- SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND RESPONSIBILITY has been renamed SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND RESPONSIBILITIES, and content has been updated to clarify supervisor responsibilities.
- WATCH COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITY has been renamed WATCH COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITIES, and content has been updated to clarify supervisor responsibilities.
- In **COMMUNICATIONS**, content has been updated for clarity.
- COMMUNICATION CENTER RESPONSIBILITIES has been renamed COMMUNICATIONS RESPONSIBILITIES, and content has been updated to clarify dispatcher responsibilities.
- In LOSS OF PURSUED VEHICLE, content has been added to allow for a supervisor taking responsibility for coordinating a search for a pursued vehicle or suspects.
- ASSUMPTION OF PURSUIT BY ANOTHER AGENCY has been updated to provide better guidance on multi-jurisdictional pursuits.
- In **PURSUITS EXTENDING INTO THIS JURISDICTION**, content has been updated to clarify when agency units may participate, under what circumstances, and under who's authority, in pursuits entering your jurisdiction.

- PURSUIT INTERVENTION has been renamed WHEN PURSUIT INTERVENTION IS AUTHORIZED, content has been moved from this section to DEFINITIONS, and content added to this section from WHEN USE IS AUTHORIZED has been updated for clarity.
- WHEN USE IS AUTHORIZED has been deleted in its entirety and the content has been moved to WHEN PURSUIT INTERVENTION IS AUTHORIZED.
- DEFINITIONS (as a subsection of WHEN PURSUIT INTERVENTION IS AUTHORIZED) has been deleted in its entirety, and the content has been moved to DEFINITIONS (as a subsection of PURPOSE AND SCOPE).
- USE OF FIREARMS has been updated for consistency with MOVING VEHICLES in the Use of Force Policy.
- **INTERVENTION STANDARDS** has been significantly updated to clarify intervention standards and conform with POST guidelines.
- **CAPTURE OF SUSPECTS** has been updated for clarity, and for consistency with the Use of Force Policy.
- **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS** has been expanded to allow for other required documentation, to clarify the contents of existing required reports, and to mandate annual review and analysis of vehicle pursuit reports.
- REGULAR AND PERIODIC PURSUIT TRAINING has been updated to clarify training requirements.
- **POLICY REVIEW** has been updated to require written acknowledgement any time this policy is updated or when training is provided.

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