



Use of Force Recommendation 23

Guidance for

Clarify Under Which Circumstances Face,
Head and Neck Strikes Are Permitted



Agenda

- Recommendation Highlights
- Gap Analysis
- Discussion Points
- Committee Feedback
- Final Guidance



Recommendation Highlights

- Clarify Under Which Circumstances Face, Head and Neck Strikes Are Permitted.

Gap Analysis

- Recommendation
- Provided additional direction in policy:
 - **Face, Head and Neck Strikes – Prohibited - absent active aggression/aggravated active aggression.**
- Current Policy
- Strikes: Techniques that have more than a minimal chance of injury. (Examples: Kicks, elbow, palm or knee strikes, and punches). The officer will consider the totality of circumstances in evaluating which area of the body to strike.



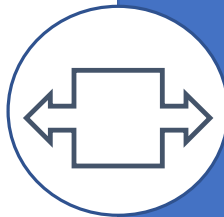
Pros and Cons

*List the reasons **for** adopting the recommendation*

- *Provide clear direction for officers.*
- *Adapt Special Order into permanent policy.*

*List the reasons **against** adopting the recommendation*

- *None*



Committee Feedback

- Discussion on how officers respond to verbal aggression, that it is not the same as physical aggression.



Final Guidance

- *Approve Policy recommendation as follows:*
 - Face, Head and Neck Strikes – Prohibited - absent active aggression/aggravated active aggression.



Discussion