

Use of Force Recommendation

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Reportable Use of Force



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Objective

Strategic Plan's opening statement;

We are strengthening our foundation through our officer's commitment to public safety. We are a Nation-leading organization in our work ethic and focus on arresting criminals; it is our DNA. We are empathetic and caring, our officers and professional staff go above and beyond bridging relationships that are built on foundations of trust and transparency. Our entire plan is anchored in accountability.



Recommendation Highlights

All uses of force greater than unresisted handcuffing must be reported in writing.

-Merrick Bobb

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Current Policy DPM 2.1.45 Use of Force Reporting Protocols

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Definitions:

- Reportable Use of Force Applications:
 - All instances in which a Department member uses force on a subject shall be reported.

Exceptions:

- Verbal commands.
- Handcuffing.
- Control hold techniques used while applying handcuffs.
- Empty hand control holds.
- Take downs are reportable.



Gap Analysis

Recommendation Current Policy

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No Difference

Agency	Use of Force Reporting; Minimum Threshold
Chandler PD	Chemical agents, tard Empty Hands (elbow, palm, impact push, knee strikes or punches)
Gilbert PD	Chemical agents, takedowns, pressure points/joint lock control hold
Las Vegas	Deployment of a rifle, OC, when injury occurs with strikes, takedowns, handcuffing, arm locks
Tempe PD	Display of a firearm, chemical agents and strikes
Tucson PD	"Hard" empty hand tactics (strikes)

Industry Trends



Pros and Cons

Reasons **for** adopting the recommendation

- Better accountability
- Statistical analysis
 - Training purposes
 - Transparency

Reasons **against** adopting the recommendation

• None



Proposed Action

Merrick Bobb's recommendation is in practice;

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Discussion