BELL GARDENS POLICE DEPARTMENT

TASER

STUDENT SAFETY POLICY
GENERAL GUIDELINES

It is the practice of the Bell Gardens Police Department to conduct all training in a manner which promotes an overall attitude of safety. All instructors will manage and facilitate the learning process to accomplish this goal.

I.   RESPONSIBILITIES - OF PROVIDER AND INSTRUCTORS

As a provider we will ensure that advance notice is given to students and their agencies regarding anticipated physical demands and/or physical performance standards.

As a provider we will ensure that all instructors are provided with a written copy of the general safety policy and the specific safety policies that pertain to their course of instruction.

Instructors will ensure that emergency communications are accessible at all training sites, and that basic first aid items be available at all times.

As a provider we will ensure that at least one member of the instructional staff, either directly involved in the training event or immediately available at the training site, be trained in First Aid and CPR.

Instructors will be responsible for conducting safety inspections or otherwise assessing the safety of the equipment and facilities used for training.

Instructors will be aware of environmental factors, such as weather or air quality, and adjust the instruction as necessary.

Instructors will incorporate the safety policy into their lesson plans and either orally review the policy with the class or incorporate the written safety policy into the course handouts.

Instructors will advise all students of their responsibility to report any unsafe actions during training.

Instructors will adhere to all policies, rules, regulations, ordinances and laws concerning their conduct while interacting with students.

The size of the facility must be adequate to safely train the number of students in the class. The site should be free of distractions with an environment conducive to safe effective training. The site area will be restricted to participants only.

There will be a ratio of one or more instructors per five students when engaged in the active portion of the Taser training.

Proper clothing and protective wear must be adhered to. The instructional staff will conduct a pre-training inspection to ensure compliance. Watches, jewelry and other personal items may be required to be removed since these items may cause injury during the training exercises.

It is the responsibility of the presenter to provide a clean, safe training environment. Equipment should be cleaned regularly and inspected as needed to insure the safety of all students and staff.

The instructor is responsible for insuring that all participants use appropriate safety gear.

Instructors must maintain an appropriate level of control and discipline over students at all times. Students failing to follow instructor commands or students who show overly aggressive behavior may be dismissed from the training activity if the instructor feels they are a danger to themselves or others in the class.

II.   RESPONSIBILITIES - STUDENTS
Students will immediately notify the course instructor of any known preexisting medical condition that is likely to be aggravated during training or will affect performance during training.

Students will be required to provide evidence of medical or physical fitness for training if the instructor questions their ability to perform safely.

Students will be responsible for adhering to all safety requirements while participating in courses provided by the BELL GARDENS POLICE DEPARTMENT.

III.   REPORTING OF INJURIES

In the event that an injury or accident occurs to a student:

1. Report all injuries or accidents to the course instructor.

2. In cases where urgent medical response is needed patrol cars with radios are immediately available to call 911.

3. Appropriate First Aid/CPR will be administered as needed by onsite staff trained in First Aid/CPR.

4. In situations where the instructor or other staff are injured follow the same protocols as for students.