

Bell Gardens Police Department
Electronic Weapons Update Course
4 hour
Course Outline

- I. **Course goal:**
Update the operation, proper deployment, new technology and legal/civil updates for users of Electronic Weapons with emphasis on the TASER X-26.

- II. **Registration and Introduction**
 - A. Registration
 - 1. Department
 - 2. POST
 - B. Introduction
 - 1. Instructors
 - 2. Students
 - 3. Course overview
 - 4. Facilities
 - C. Safety Policy
 - 1. Equipment
 - 2. First Aid
 - 3. Location of nearest hospital
 - 4. Communication devices in the classroom

- III. **Overview - Taser X-26 and other Electronic Weapons**
 - A. History
 - 1. Definition of hand held device
 - 2. Origin of electronic devices
 - 3. Electronic device evolution to the present
 - B. How it works
 - 1. Electric conductivity
 - 2. Stun vs. Conductive Energy Device (CED)
 - C. Electrical characteristics
 - 1. Electrical Safety
 - 2. Volts vs. Amps
 - 3. Underwriter Laboratories
 - 4. 1/100th danger level
 - D. Medical considerations and risk factors
 - 1. Electrical output
 - 2. Physiological affects
 - 3. Known pre-existing conditions (including pregnancy)
 - 4. No affect on health rhythm
 - 5. No long term affects
 - 6. Minor skin irritation
 - 7. No affect on Pace maker
 - 8. Drug/Alcohol consumption
 - 9. Exited delirium

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10. Positional/Restraint/Compression asphyxia

E. Nomenclature and Operations

1. Nomenclature

- a. Manufactures specifications
- b. Safety Trigger demonstration
- c. Battery indicator
- d. Data port

2. Cartridges

- a. Compressed and inert nitrogen
- b. Blast door cover colors
- c. Probe penetration

3. Activation

- a. Trigger pull - 5 seconds
- b. Safety shut off current
- c. Center mass aim
- d. 8 degree probe spread
- e. Avoid head/throat aim

4. Stun Mode

- a. Cartridge in place
- b. No cartridge
- c. Stun target areas

F. New Technology

1. Taser International
2. Other companies entering the market

IV. Use of Force Policy

A. Legal/Civil/Case Law update

1. Federal law
2. State law
3. Civil law
4. Case law

B. Department Policy

1. Use of Force policy
2. Electronic Weapons policy
3. Medical/First Aid policy
4. Reporting procedures

V. Deployment

A. Pre deployment

1. Deployment modes
2. Weak side carry
3. Communications between contact and cover officer

B. Scene management

1. Assessment
2. Environment, water – flammable

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3. Subject running
4. Medical care
5. Evidence

VI. Skill Demonstration Exam, Written Exam

- A. Moving target
 1. Protective suit – role player
 2. Practical application
- B. Simulation of stress
 1. 40 yards run
- C. Reloading drills
 1. Change cartridge 5 times – timed
 2. Fire practice cartridge
- D. Scenario drills
 1. Accurately fire at 8 feet
 2. Accurately reload and fire cartridge at 12 feet
- E. Written examination
 1. Multiple choice
 2. Nomenclature

VII. Course Evaluation

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