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Use of Force Options: Reporting and Medical Assessment Requirements
(Amends portions of DGO 5.01)


Department General Order 5.01, Section I.N.1 a, Reporting and Investigating the Use of Force, states:

1. *TYPES OF INCIDENTS REQUIRING REPORTING. Officers must report the use of the following types of force:*
 - a. *Physical control, when the person is injured or claims to be injured.*

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, DGO 5.01, Section I.N.1(a) is amended as follows:

1. TYPES OF INCIDENTS REQUIRING REPORTING. Officers must report the use of the following types of force:
 - a. Physical control, when the person: (1) is injured, (2) while at the scene or in the presence of officers, complains to an officer of being injured; or (3) while at the scene or in the presence of officers, complains to an officer of pain that persists beyond the use of the physical control hold.

DGO 5.01, Section I.N.3 specifies a supervisor's responsibility when notified of a reportable use of force. This bulletin clarifies that in all instances of a reportable use of force, the supervisor notified of the use of force shall respond to the scene or appropriate location to determine if an ambulance is required to conduct a medical assessment of the person on whom the physical control was used, and provide any necessary medical treatment or transport. The supervisor shall ensure that the incident report includes a notation regarding the medical assessment and any medical treatment or transportation afforded.


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