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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide the operational guidelines for the use of Conducted Electrical Weapons for police service.

2. PERSONS AFFECTED

All sworn personnel.

3. POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Hawai‘i Police Department that qualified members may carry authorized Conducted Electrical Weapons (CEW) for use in less-lethal situations.

4. DEFINITIONS

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5. RESPONSIBILITIES

5.1. Officers

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5.1.6. Prior to any officer being authorized to possess and/or use the CEW, the officer shall be issued and receive instruction in *General Order 804, Use of Force*.

5.1.7. Any loss, theft, or damage to the CEW or related equipment shall be immediately reported to the supervisor. A memorandum to the Police Chief shall detail the circumstances surrounding the report.

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5.2. Training Section

5.2.1. The Training Section shall be responsible for ensuring that all officers are trained in the proper use of the CEW. When officers are issued TASER Cams, they will receive training regarding the proper operational use, care, and charging of the device.

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5.2.4. Training Section shall maintain a list of all currently certified members in the use of the CEW.

5.3. Special Response Team

5.3.1. The Special Response Team Tactical Commander shall be responsible for maintaining an inventory of all CEW equipment, to include the serial numbers and to whom each CEW is assigned. This shall be maintained by utilizing the Records Management System (RMS) Inventory Module.

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5.3.2. The Special Response Team Tactical Commander shall be responsible for reviewing the information contained within the CEW Use Report to evaluate departmental and training procedures.

5.4. Police Chief

5.4.1. The Police Chief shall determine the continued suitability of the authorized CEW and may terminate its continued use at his discretion.

5.4.2. The Police Chief shall have the sole authority to suspend or revoke the certification of any member in the use of the CEW.

6. PROCEDURES

6.1. The CEW shall be used in a manner consistent with training and Departmental policy and shall not be used in a punitive or reckless manner. Violations of the proper use of the CEW shall result in disciplinary action taken against the responsible officer.

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6.4. Whenever a CEW is used on a subject, appropriate medical attention shall be employed in accordance with the certification and/or refresher training.

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7. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

7.1. Officer

- 7.1.1. A supervisor shall be immediately notified whenever the CEW is used or activated, including probe deployment, drive stun, or arc display (excluding daily function test).
- 7.1.2. If the subject is to be detained in the Hilo or Kona Cellblock, the receiving desk supervisor shall be notified that the subject had been struck by a CEW or received a drive-stun. Documentation shall also be noted on the Hawai'i Police Department's *Arrestee Health Screening Form*.
- 7.1.3. An officer who uses a CEW shall submit the following reports:
- a. A memorandum to the Police Chief, via proper channels, describing the facts regarding its use. When a probe deployment is utilized, the serial number of the expended air cartridge(s) shall be included in this memorandum;
 - b. When supplying a memorandum to the Police Chief, officers shall explain why the CEW was used. If repeated applications of the CEW are used on the subject, officers shall explain the reason(s) why each application was necessary;
 - c. The Hawai'i Police Department's CEW Use Report shall be completed and submitted with the memorandum to the Police Chief;
 - d. Both the memorandum and CEW Use Report shall be completed by the end of the officer's tour of duty. After being reviewed by the Police Chief, the forms shall be forwarded to the Special Response Team for their information and review;
 - e. The facts and circumstances regarding its use shall be documented in the correlating incident report.

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7.1.4. An officer involved in an unintentional discharge of an air cartridge or unintentional activation shall document the facts and circumstances in a memorandum to the Police Chief, via proper channels.

7.2. Supervisor

7.2.1. Supervisors shall be responsible and accountable for the investigation and submission of all reports. A notification sent via the Records Management System (RMS) shall be sent to the Tactical Commander of the Special Response Team for his review and information.

7.2.2. A supervisor shall investigate any unintentional discharge of an air cartridge or an unintentional activation (arc) of the CEW. Findings shall be documented in a memorandum to the Police Chief, via proper channels.

7.3. Inventory and Accountability

7.3.1. The Tactical Commander of the Special Response Team shall provide spare cartridges to the appropriate District or Division commanders.

7.3.2. District or Division commanders shall be responsible for updating the officer's assigned equipment in the RMS Inventory module.

7.3.3. Issued cartridges shall be documented on the *Equipment and Inventory Replacement Form* to the District or Division commander, which is then forwarded to the Tactical Commander of the Special Response Team.

7.3.4. The District or Division Commanders shall submit requests for additional cartridges via memorandum to the Tactical Commander of the Special Response Team.

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7.3.5. At any given time, the Office of Professional Standards shall conduct a data inspection of the CEW to ensure that the device is being used in accordance with the department's policies and procedures.

7.3.6. Only authorized personnel shall download the audio, video footage, and data information files on the CEW.

8. QUALIFICATIONS

8.1. Qualifications shall be conducted in a manner consistent with manufacturer specifications and in accordance with current case law.

8.2. If an officer fails to qualify with an issued CEW, the instructor shall:

8.2.1. Notify the officer of the specific area(s) of testing and training that was not-proficient; and

8.2.2. Advise the officer on how to improve proficiency to qualification standards.

8.3. The officer that failed to qualify shall:

8.3.1. Be assigned to a duty where the official use of the issued CEW is not required, until the officer is qualified;

8.3.4. Practice and study on own time using a department authorized CEW Instructor and training facility; and

8.3.5. After approval from the instructor, be scheduled to qualify within two weeks.

8.4. If the officer fails to qualify after remedial training and re-testing, the officer may be subject to further administrative action.

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