



COMMISSION ON CORRECTIONAL PEACE OFFICER
STANDARDS AND TRAINING
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EXPANDABLE BATON

STANDARD

Correctional Peace Officers shall have the knowledge, ability, and basic skill in the proper care, storage, use, and retention of the Expandable Baton (EB) to maintain the safety and security of all persons.

COMPONENTS

The components of this standard are as follows:

1. **Technique** – The student shall be knowledgeable and proficient in the ability to perform all the instructed movements and techniques related to the EB.
2. **Problem Solving/Decision-Making** – The student shall be knowledgeable and proficient in analyzing situations and determining whether it is appropriate to deploy and use the EB and relevant techniques.
3. **Officer Safety** – The student shall demonstrate situational and tactical awareness and the ability to respond appropriately to ensure officer safety as well as safety and security of those around the officer.
4. **Communication** – The student shall use effective verbal and non-verbal communication skills when deploying the EB. The student shall document and report any use of force. Correctional Peace Officers shall also be adequately trained in how to document incidents where the Correctional Peace Officer used the EB while on duty.
5. **Ethics** – The student shall abide by the code of ethics and accepted principles of conduct that govern decisions and actions based on professional values and expectations.
6. **Stress Tolerance and Emotional Regulation** – The student shall maintain self-control and make timely, reasonable decisions in the use of the EB.
7. **The measurement of knowledge and proficiency in the above mentioned, components shall be delivered in pass/fail format.**

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AUTHORITY

California Penal Code 13601 (a)(1)

California Penal Code 13601 (d)

BACKGROUND

Correctional Peace Officers are required to carry EBs while on duty and are authorized to use them in an emergency or during a controlled use of force. Only weapons that have been approved by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) will be issued or assigned and carried and used while on duty, per California Code of Regulations Title 15, Section 3275(a).

An EB is an approved weapon for carry and use while on duty. The EB may be used with reasonable force to subdue an attacker, overcome resistance, effect custody, or gain compliance with a lawful order.

REFERENCES AND CITATIONS

California Code of Regulations: Rules and Regulations of Adult Operations and Program, Title 15, Division 3, Chapter 1

California Code of Regulations: General Institution Regulations, Title 15, Division 3, Subchapter 4, Article 1.5, §3268

California Code of Regulations: General Institution Regulations, Title 15, Division 3, Subchapter 4, Article 2, § 3275 & 3278

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (2023). Department Operations Manual: Personnel, Training and Employee Relations, Chapter 3, Article 18, §32010.19.11

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