

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE**

**SPECIAL ORDER NO. 5**

November 5, 2024

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS ON** November 5, 2024

**SUBJECT:               REPORTING CROWD CONTROL USES OF FORCE INVOLVING KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILES OR CHEMICAL AGENTS – ESTABLISHED; CROWD CONTROL: KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILE/CHEMICAL AGENT REPORT, FORM 01.67.02 – ACTIVATED**

**BACKGROUND:**    On January 1, 2022, California Assembly Bill (AB) 48 became effective. The Bill established new guidelines and responsibilities for the Department when responding to crowd control incidents detailed in Office of the Chief of Police Notice, *Assembly Bill 48 – Use of Kinetic Energy Projectiles and Chemical Agents; and, Senate Bill 98 – Media Access to Closed Areas – Assemblies, Protests, and Demonstrations*, dated December 14, 2021.

**PURPOSE:**           The purpose of this Order is to establish Department policy for the reporting requirements set forth in AB 48. The Bill requires law enforcement agencies to post information on their public access website after the use of a kinetic energy projectile or chemical agent in any crowd control incident.

**PROCEDURE:**

- I.   REPORTING CROWD CONTROL USES OF FORCE INVOLVING KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILES OR CHEMICAL AGENTS – ESTABLISHED.**  
Department Manual Section 4/245.32, *Reporting Crowd Control Uses of Force Involving Kinetic Energy Projectiles or Chemical Agents*, has been established. Attached is the new Manual section.
- II.   CROWD CONTROL: KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILE/CHEMICAL AGENT REPORT – ACTIVATED.** Attached is the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report, Form 01.67.02.

01.67.02-01 **Use of Form.** This form shall be used to report the use of kinetic energy projectiles or chemical agents in crowd control incidents.

01.67.02-10 **Completion.** Completion of this form is self-explanatory and it shall be completed by the incident commander in any crowd control incident.

01.67.02-80 **Distribution.**

- 1- Original, Commanding Officer, affected Geographic Area.
- 1- Scanned copy emailed to Critical Incident Review Division.
- 2- TOTAL**

**FORM AVAILABILITY:** A copy of the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report, Form 01.67.02, is attached for immediate use and duplication. The form is also available in E-Forms on the Department’s Local Area Network.

**AUDIT RESPONSIBILITY:** The Commanding Officer, Audit Division, shall review this directive and determine whether an audit or inspection shall be conducted in accordance with Department Manual Section 0/080.30.



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Chief of Police

Attachments

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**245.32 REPORTING CROWD CONTROL USES OF FORCE INVOLVING KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILES OR CHEMICAL AGENTS.** California Assembly Bill 48 requires the Department to post the following information on the Department's public access website after the use of kinetic energy projectiles or chemical agents in any crowd control incident:

- A description of the assembly, protest, demonstration or incident, including the approximate crowd size and number of officers involved;
- The type of kinetic energy projectile [e.g., 40mm, bean bag shotgun, 37mm, Fabrique Nationale (FN) 303] or chemical agent used;
- The number of rounds used or quantity of chemical agent applications dispersed;
- The number of documented injuries as a result of the use of kinetic energy projectiles or chemical agent; and,
- The justification for using the kinetic energy projectile(s) or chemical agent(s), including any de-escalation efforts or protocols (e.g., Dispersal orders), and other measures taken to avoid the necessity of using the kinetic energy projectile(s) or chemical agent.

**Note:** The requirement to report the above information applies only to the use of kinetic energy projectiles or chemical agents. Other uses of force in crowd control incidents, such as baton strike(s) or push(es), **do not meet** the AB 48 reporting requirements.

**Incident Commander Responsibility.** The incident commander of any crowd control incident in which kinetic energy projectiles or chemical agents are used shall:

- Complete a Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report, Form 01.67.02; and,
- Submit the completed form to the watch commander of the affected Area no later than the incident commander's end of watch.

**Watch Commander Responsibilities.** The watch commanders of the Area(s) affected by a crowd control incident shall:

- Accept and review the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report for completion; and,
- Attach the completed Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report to their Watch Commander Log, Form 15.80.00;

**Note:** If additional information is subsequently discovered that conflicts with a Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report submitted by an incident commander, the watch commander shall complete an additional Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report accounting for the change of information and check the "Update" box in the top-right corner of the form.

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***Area Commanding Officer Responsibilities.*** Upon receipt of a Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report, Commanding Officers of affected Areas, or their designee, shall complete the following tasks:

- Review the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report; and,
- Scan and email the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report to Critical Incident Review Division (CIRD) no later than 14 calendar days from the date of the incident.

***Critical Incident Review Division Responsibilities.*** Upon receipt of a Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report, the Commanding Officer, CIRD, or their designee, shall complete the following tasks:

- Review the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report to ensure the accuracy of the Non-Categorical Use of Force Report related to the crowd control incident;
- Contact the reporting incident or watch commander as necessary to identify and deconflict any issues; and,
- Forward the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report to Media Relations Division (MRD) no later than 30 calendar days upon receipt from a geographic Area.

***Media Relations Division Responsibilities.*** Upon receipt of a Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report from CIRD, the Commanding Officer of MRD, or their designee, shall complete the following tasks:

- Redact any personally identifying information from the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report [including the name of incident commander(s)]; and,
- Post the Crowd Control: Kinetic Energy Projectile/Chemical Agent Report information to the Department's public access website, no later than 60 days from the date of the incident.

**CROWD CONTROL: KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILE/CHEMICAL AGENT REPORT**

INCIDENT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS FURTHER INFORMATION IS OBTAINED.

**INCIDENT INFORMATION**

DATE OF INCIDENT	TIME OF INCIDENT	LOCATION
CITY OF OCCURRENCE	DIVISION	RD

A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE ASSEMBLY, PROTEST, DEMONSTRATION, OR INCIDENT / CROWD BEHAVIOR JUSTIFYING THE USE OF KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILES OR CHEMICAL AGENTS  
 (NOTE: THIS BOX MAY BE USED TO PROVIDE A RATIONALE FOR AN UPDATE ON A PRIOR REPORT.)

APPROXIMATE CROWD SIZE	NUMBER OF OFFICERS INVOLVED	NUMBER OF DOCUMENTED INJURIES AS A RESULT OF KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILES OR CHEMICAL AGENTS AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE INCIDENT	
DISPERSAL ORDERS GIVEN (Y/N)	TIME GIVEN	USE OF FORCE ANNOUNCEMENTS GIVEN (Y/N)	TIME GIVEN

DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES OR OTHER ALTERNATIVES TO FORCE ATTEMPTED TO GAIN VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE <input type="checkbox"/> ADVISED/WARNED <input type="checkbox"/> ISSUED VERBAL COMMANDS <input type="checkbox"/> DEPLOYED ADDITIONAL OFFICERS <input type="checkbox"/> DEPLOYED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	DESCRIBE
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OTHER DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES OR OTHER ALTERNATIVES TO FORCE ATTEMPTED

**TYPE OF KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILES OR CHEMICAL AGENTS DEPLOYED**

<input type="checkbox"/> 12-GAUGE SHOTGUN WITH KINETIC MUNITIONS (BEAN BAG SHOTGUN)	NUMBER OF ROUNDS DEPLOYED	
<input type="checkbox"/> 37MM LAUNCHER WITH FOAM RUBBER BATON ROUND	NUMBER OF ROUNDS DEPLOYED	
<input type="checkbox"/> 40MM LAUNCHER WITH DIRECT IMPACT SPONGE ROUND	NUMBER OF ROUNDS DEPLOYED	
<input type="checkbox"/> FABRIQUE NATIONALE 303 (FN303)	TYPE OF ROUNDS	ROUNDS DEPLOYED
<input type="checkbox"/> CHEMICAL AGENT	DESCRIBE	ROUNDS/USES DEPLOYED
INCIDENT COMMANDER NAME	SERIAL NO.	TIME COMMAND ASSUMED

THE INCIDENT COMMANDER OF CROWD CONTROL INCIDENTS SHALL COMPLETE THIS FORM WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE INCIDENT THE COMPLETED FORM SHALL BE SCANNED AND EMAILED TO CRITICAL INCIDENT REVIEW DIVISION (CIRD) AT [CIRD@LAPD.Online](mailto:CIRD@LAPD.Online)