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Session 2 – Cold Lap Pursuits Learning Activity No. 4

LD 19 Emergency Vehicle Operations Course

Purpose: This activity is designed to allow the EVOC Instructor to conduct an initial assessment of the current driving capability of the student in a law enforcement vehicle during a simulated vehicle pursuit on a pre-designated course and to provide an initial exposure to the numerous demands that will be required of students to safely operate in the field. This initial assessment will be used to compare with his/her final tested pursuit at the end of the training course.

Description: The student will be assessed in a simulated pursuit on his/her current **pre-instructional** knowledge and ability to control a law enforcement vehicle during a simulated vehicle pursuit by a certified EVOC Instructor. The EVOC instructor will brief the student on expectations with an understanding that the student has had no training or experience with a law enforcement vehicle. The safety ratio of instructor to students is 1:1.

The instructor will be located in the front passenger seat during this exercise. All occupants will be helmeted and fastened with a six point racing harness.

The instructor will ask the student to be mindful of and to complete the following tasks:

- Activate lights and siren
- Broadcast the pursuit and follow the suspect
- Not to cross the solid yellow lines that represent the boundaries of the course
- Come to a complete stop at both stop signs
- Broadcast their location at the designated broadcast points
- A five second penalty will be added for making contact with any portion of the yellow boundary line with the rear wheel(s) (e.g., trailing wheel adjustment-rear wheel cheat)
- A ten second penalty will be added for making contact with any portion of the yellow boundary line on corner exits with the front wheel(s) (e.g., understeer or rear wheel(s) over steer)
- The student will broadcast his/her location at the designated streets

After each student has completed the simulated pursuit as the primary and secondary unit, the EVOC Instructor will drive a demonstration of the Cold Lap Pursuit exercise with all of his/her students in the vehicle helmeted and harnessed. The intention of this demonstration is to show the students the performance capabilities of the police vehicle when applying the fundamentals accurately in order to:

- Demonstrate proper techniques for recognizing and coping with distractions while operating a law enforcement vehicle.
- Demonstrate the use of emergency warning devices available on law enforcement vehicles (lights and siren).
- Demonstrate the use of communication equipment (radio).
- Demonstrate the importance and proper use of safety belts in a law enforcement vehicle

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Resources needed:

- EVOC track training vehicles
- Police radios
- Helmets

Key learning points:

- Fundamentals of vehicle control
- Operating a law enforcement vehicle in an pursuit condition
- Radio broadcasts
- Safety and situational awareness
- Activation of Code-3 equipment
- Demonstrate the importance and proper use of safety belts in a law enforcement vehicle (LD 19 I. G).

Time required: 1 hour 20 minutes