

**SA 03 EVOC**  
**Session 4 – Pursuit Intervention Technique (PIT)**  
**Learning Activity 15**  
**LD 19 Emergency Vehicle Operations Course**

**Purpose:** This learning activity affords the student the opportunity to practice a forced rotational stop of a non-compliant suspect.

**Description:** An EVOC instructor will demonstrate the PIT course in the pre-designated area on the track. The instructor will make contact with the suspect vehicle while the suspect vehicle is stationary. The contact will be made with the front quarter panel of the instructor's vehicle to the rear quarter panel of the suspect's vehicle. The students can observe where the correct contact is made and the force of the contact. The demonstration will be driven at approximately ten miles per hour. The instructor will make contact with the suspect's vehicle, alternating sides (left/right rear quarter panels) while the vehicles are in motion. The emphasis will be placed on speed, contact, and smooth steering input. Two PITs will be demonstrated. The first PIT will occur on the passenger side of the suspect's vehicle. The second PIT will occur on the driver's side of the suspect's vehicle. During each demonstration the instructor will discuss common offensive intervention tactics and demonstrate proper throttle control. Each student will receive an appropriate amount of time to practice the PIT. The students will repeat each phase of the exercise as it was demonstrated. The student will perform a minimum of 10 PIT maneuvers and must be successful in four of their last six PIT attempts in order to achieve certification. During the practical application, the EVOC instructor while located in the front passenger seat, will actively assess the student's performance and provide real time instruction to reinforce proper techniques or correct any deficiencies that are observed. The instructor to student safety ratio is 2:3.

**Resources needed:**

- EVOC training PIT vehicles
- Police radios
- Cones

**Key learning points**

- The student will be able to perform the PIT maneuver; understanding how to match speed, make contact and turn into the suspect's vehicle, causing a forced rotational stop of a non-compliant suspect.
- Demonstrate proper throttle control (**LD 19 IV. D.**)

**Minimum Proficiency:** The student must demonstrate the ability to control a law enforcement vehicle while implementing the PIT maneuver. The student will perform a minimum of ten PIT maneuvers and must be successful in four of their last six PIT attempts in order to achieve certification. A successful PIT is one in which the suspect's vehicle is placed into the prescribed area and has rotated more than 90 degrees.

**Time required:** 1 hour and 10 minutes