

SA 03 EVOC
Session 5 – Operational Track (TEST)
Learning Activity 22
LD 19 Emergency Vehicle Operations Course

Purpose: The student will learn how to safely drive and control a law enforcement vehicle on a pre-designated course during an emergency response condition. The fundamentals of vehicle control, proper intersection analysis, safety, situational awareness, and radio broadcasts will be the primary focus of this learning activity. This will be the fourth opportunity for the student to practice the above concepts. This learning activity will also incorporate the testing of emergency response.

Description: The instructor will provide the student with a minimum of three practice laps before testing. The test will be comprised of five laps on the operational track in an emergency response condition, which the student will demonstrate accurate use of the fundamentals of vehicle control. During the test an additional instructor will drive, using an interference vehicle and hinder the progress of the Code-3 response. The student should pass the interference vehicle safely using the following:

- Change the pitch of the siren
- Be patient and wait for citizen (instructor vehicle) to pull to the right
- If the student chooses to pass on the right, he/she needs to be able to articulate why it was safe to do so after the exercise test is complete

If the student fails any portion of this exercise, he/she will be remediated for up to four hours and retested. The retest will consist of the same testing requirements described below. Failure to successfully complete the retest will result in a recommendation for dismissal. Helmets and harnesses shall be worn during this exercise and the instructor will be seated in the front passenger seat. The instructor to student safety ratio for both test and retest procedures are 1:1.

TEST: An exercise test that requires the student to drive a law enforcement vehicle and demonstrate the ability to safely drive and control the vehicle while operating under emergency response (Code 3) conditions to include interacting with an interference vehicle driven by a qualified driver training instructor (as defined in Regulation 1070). The student will demonstrate competency in the following performance dimensions. (LD 19 V. B.1-10)

- Safety
- Situational Awareness
- Braking Technique(s)
- Steering Technique(s)
- Throttle Control
- Speed judgment
- Roadway Positioning
- Operating Associated Equipment
- Rate of Performance
- Fluency of Performance
- Level of Performance

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An exercise test that requires a student to drive a law enforcement vehicle during which the student must reach a speed of at least 65 miles per hour (mph) prior to entering a turn of sufficient radius to require a minimum 30 mph deceleration. This exercise test may be tested concurrent with emergency response or pursuit test. The student will demonstrate competency in the following performance dimensions :(LD 19 V. F.1-9)

- Safety
- Situational Awareness
- Braking Technique(s)
- Steering Technique(s)
- Throttle Control
- Speed Judgment
- Roadway Positioning
- Fluency of Performance
- Level of Response

Presenters must use the POST-developed Vehicle Operations Competency Exercise Test Form or a presenter developed form approved by POST, which minimally includes the performance dimensions used for this exercise test.

Resources needed:

- EVOC track training vehicles
- Police radios
- Helmets

Key Learning Points:

- Fundamentals of vehicle control
- Operating a law enforcement vehicle in an emergency response condition
- Passing vehicles on the roadway under Code-3 conditions
- Proper intersection analysis

Time required: 1 hour, 10 Minutes