

SA 03 EVOC
Learning Domain 19-Emergency Vehicle Operations
Session 5

Learning Activity No. 25
Final Pursuit (TEST)

Purpose: The student will understand and demonstrate how to safely operate and control a law enforcement vehicle on a pre-designated course during a simulated police pursuit. Fundamentals of vehicle control, activation of the Code-3 equipment, proper intersection analysis, safety, situational awareness, and radio broadcasts will be the primary focus of this learning activity. The student will have an opportunity to encounter an interference vehicle as well as drive as the secondary unit in a pursuit.

Description: The student will be tested with an instructor in the front passenger's seat in a simulated pursuit. He/she will demonstrate their knowledge in using vehicle control techniques, activating the lights and siren, use of the radio, and his/her awareness related to potential hazards, including an interference vehicle. The instructor to student safety ratio is 1:1.

The instructor will evaluate on the following:

- Activation of lights and siren
- Broadcasting the pursuit and following the suspect
- Staying within the boundaries of the course
- Coming to a complete stop at both stop signs
- Broadcasting location at the designated broadcast points
- Steering to the green light when driving through the Collision Avoidance Simulator
- Avoiding cones in the roadway (interference cones)
- 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)
- A ten second penalty will be added for making contact with any portion of the yellow boundary line with the front wheel(s) (e.g., front end collision, understeer)
- It is an automatic failure for losing control of the vehicle
- It is an automatic failure if the instructor must intervene to prevent loss of vehicle control
- The maximum time allowed in order to pass the final pursuit test is two minutes and 30 seconds after penalty adjustments (no time limit if inclement weather exists)
- The student must complete a radio broadcast initiating the pursuit and broadcast a minimum of three out of the four designated location points as the primary unit.
- The student must demonstrate a working knowledge of the six fundamentals of control

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 pursuit situations 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. C. 1-10)

1. Safety

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2. Situational Awareness
3. Braking Technique(s)
4. Steering Technique(s)
5. Throttle Control
6. Roadway Positioning
7. Operating Associated Equipment
8. Rate of Performance
9. Level of Performance
10. Fluency of Performance

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.

Should the student's vehicle front wheel(s) become involved in a collision (e.g, front end contacts any portion of the yellow boundary lines; understeer) or leave the roadway, a ten second penalty will be assessed. If the rear wheels of a vehicle become involved in a collision (e.g., rear wheels contact any portion of the yellow boundary lines; trailing wheel adjustment), a five second penalty will be assessed. A five second penalty will be assessed if the student collides with a cone(s) while traveling through the correct lane through the collision avoidance simulator. The penalties will be added to the student's overall time. If the student travels off the course or drives through a red tri-light signal in the collision avoidance simulator, or fails to complete the following, the student automatically fails the exercise:

- The student loses control of the vehicle.
- The instructor must intervene to control the vehicle.

In the rare event that track conditions are affected due to inclement weather, the student will be graded on the safe operation and control of the vehicle. A maximum time limit will not be a factor in the scoring process.

Should the student fail any portion of the exercise, they will be remediated for up to four hours and retested. The retest shall consist of another pursuit using the above described procedure. Failure to successfully complete the retest will result in a recommendation for dismissal.

Minimum Proficiency: The maximum time allowed in order to pass the final pursuit test is 2 minutes and 30 seconds after penalty adjustments. The student must complete a radio broadcast initiating the pursuit and broadcast a minimum of three out of the four designated location points as the primary unit.

Resources needed:

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- EVOC track training vehicles
- Police radios
- Helmets
- Interference vehicle
- Interference cones

Key learning points:

- The student will demonstrate competency in the following performance dimensions **(LD 19 V. C.1-10)**
- Fundamentals of vehicle control
- Operating a law enforcement vehicle in an pursuit condition
- Proper intersection analysis
- Radio broadcasts
- Safety and situational awareness

Time required: 1 hour and 30 minutes.