

**LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
SHADOW TEAMS CONCEPTS
CurCode SP467**

Instructional Goal: To provide the student with the knowledge and skills to apply policy, procedure, and legal issues to Shadow Teams Operations.

Performance Objectives: Using facilitation, Department reference material and PowerPoint presentation the students will:

- o Know the different roles and responsibilities of a Shadow Team operation.
- o How our Department's guiding value of Reverence for Human Life is the moral and ethical foundation of de-escalation, tactics, reasonable force, and Officer safety relates to their role as a Shadow Teams operator.

By the conclusion of the training, students will understand how the application of this training is in keeping with our Department's UOF policy, philosophy, and tactical planning.

References: Instructors, facilitators and training supervisors shall ensure that the most current references are utilized

I. INTRODUCTION AND ORIENTATION

(30 min)

A. Introduction:

1. Instructor (s)
2. Name, Assignment
3. Experience

B. Conduct administrative duties (course roster)

C. Brief overview of training topics

1. Policy, Procedure, and Legal Issues
 - a. Use of Force Policy¹
 - b. Tactical De-Escalation Techniques²

¹ Department Manual Section 1/556.10, Policy on the Use of Force

² LAPD Use of Force-Tactics Directive, Tactical De-Escalation Techniques

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- c. Command and Control³
- d. California Penal Code section 835(a)⁴
- e. Tactics Directive-Undercover and Surveillance Operations⁵

D. DISTRIBUTE: Tactical Concepts No. 1, Shadow Teams Operations

- 1. Have a Tactical Concepts No. 1 at each table
- 2. Review Tactical Concepts No. 1

II. SHADOW TEAMS CONCEPTS OVERVIEW

(75 Min)

A. Shadow Team Concept Introduction

- 1. Definitions
 - a. Shadow Team Operator
 - b. Uniformed Support
- 2. Review Tactical Concepts No. 1, Shadow Teams Operations
 - a. Philosophy
 - b. The limitations of Shadow Teams Operations
 - c. Avoiding blue on blue encounters
 - d. Pre-Operation planning
 - e. Equipment and dress
 - f. Communications
 - g. Type and quality of investigation
 - h. Resources
 - i. Quality of Intelligence

³ Training Bulletin, Volume XLVII Issue 4, COMMAND AND CONTROL

⁴ California Penal Code Section 835(a)

⁵ LAPD Use of Force - Tactics Directive, Undercover and Surveillance Operations

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3. Continued Operational Improvement
 - a. Learning from the past
 - b. Planning for the future
4. Mission and Objectives
5. Planning
6. Deployment
 - a. Shadow Team Configuration
7. Detention / Arrest
 - a. Uniformed Support squad is given the necessary information to location and identify the suspect(s).
8. Radio Communications
9. Safety Equipment
 - a. Department badge and identification (Concealed and secured)
 - b. Department firearm (Concealed and secured)
 - c. Cellular telephone (Preferably Department issued)
 - d. Additional equipment requirements (magazines, handcuffs, radios)
10. Interactions between Uniformed and Undercover Officers
11. Arrest Reports

III. Review and Assessment

(15 Min)

- A. Through facilitation and open discussing, review the student's understanding of:
 1. Shadow Team Operator and Uniform Support
 2. Mission and objectives
 3. Planning and deployment
 4. Detention / arrest and reports
 5. Communications and safety equipment

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6. Interactions between uniformed and undercover officers