1. The CED may be utilized in situations when encountering active aggression to debilitate a subject who poses an immediate threat of serious bodily injury or death to self or others.

2. On animals when other options have failed and the animal is posing a threat to officers or others.

3. A CED may be a substitute for deadly force in situations where deadly force is necessary, when an officer is armed with both a lethal and less-lethal weapon. The discretion to use the CED remains with the officer based on the totality of the situation.

Use of the CED is prohibited under the following circumstances:

1. The act of verbal non-compliance shall not justify the use of the CED.

2. On subjects known to be pregnant, persons under 18, the visibly frail or elderly persons, unless deadly force is otherwise justified.

3. Situations where flammable gases or liquids are in close proximity to the subject.

4. On subjects who are in danger of falling from a significant height or into a dangerous location (e.g. a body of water, fire, down stairs).

5. A handcuffed person unless exigent circumstances exist, such as to prevent the subject from injuring himself or others and other means of control are ineffective or unavailable.

6. Subject is visibly confined to a wheelchair, unless it is objectively clear to prevent serious injury to himself/herself and/or deadly force is justified.

7. Subject is in control of a vehicle.
8. On individuals with known neuromuscular disorders such as multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy or epilepsy; or persons known to be wearing pacemakers or other biomedical devices sensitive to electrical current, or known to have heart conditions, unless deadly force is otherwise justified.

9. Activating more than one CED against a person at the same time.

Documentation

1. Operator qualification records shall be kept by the Training and Safety Manager.

2. Each time the trigger is pulled; the officer shall document this in the CED Log and notify the CED Coordinator. The CED Coordinator shall be responsible for downloading the data and printing a report. Copies of the report and the CED Log shall be forwarded to the Director of School Safety.

Discipline

Failure to comply with this policy may subject the employee to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

Adopted: ______________