

18.8 BATONS/IMPACT DEVICES

Officers will employ approved impact devices (ASP, Baton, etc.) in a manner consistent with departmental training, directives and the Use of Force Policy. Only department issued equipment will be carried or utilized. Certified Defensive Tactics Instructors will conduct impact device training. Only those officers demonstrating proficiency will be allowed to carry approved impact devices. Specifications for Impact Devices are as follows: ASP Expandable baton 26" expanded, 9" unexpanded. Straight sticks are not issued by the department. Commercially manufactured straight stick batons are authorized for use. While the department only supplies versions of the metal expandable baton, officers may choose to purchase and carry their own straight stick batons as long as they meet the following criteria:

- Commercially manufactured for police use
- Made from wood, plastic or metal (aluminum)
- Between 22-28 inches in length and,
- Approved for use by the department Training Division and/or Department Certified Defensive Tactics Instructor.

Side handle batons are not authorized for use.

18.9 AEROSOL AGENT: O.C. SPRAY

All officers through the rank of Sergeant, functioning in a uniform capacity will carry an aerosol agent issued by the department, e.g., (Oleoresin Capsicum/OC) and will receive training in the use of the product. Training in the administration of O/C will be conducted by a certified trainer. Only those officers demonstrating proficiency will be allowed to carry an aerosol agent. Specification for OC are as follows: FOX stream, law enforcement formula 2% Oleoresin Capsicum, non flammable.

Any officer who intends to use O.C. Spray should insure that adequate assistance is available in the event an officer inadvertently disables him/herself with the agent.

Any use of the aerosol agent (OC) requires the use, and the reason(s) for the use, to be documented in both an incident report and use of force report. Use of O.C. Spray should comply with the standards set forth in the Use of Force Policy.

With the deployment of TASERS and the recognition that it is mandatory that this piece of equipment be worn on the officer's duty belt, officers will have the option to wear either O.C. Spray or an ASP or both on their duty belt as well. One or both of the devices must be retained on the duty belt. If an officer selects to carry just one of the items, the other item must be available in the officer's vehicle.

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With the deployment of TASERS and the recognition that it is mandatory that this piece of equipment a TASER be worn on the officer's duty belt, therefore Since all sergeants and officers assigned to the Patrol Operations Division are required to carry a Taser, those officers will have the option to wear carry either OC spray or wear an ASP or both on their duty belt as well. One or both of those devices must be retained on the duty belt. If an officer selects to carry just one of the items, the other item must be available in the officer's vehicle.

Any officer that intends to use O-C Spray should insure that adequate assistance is available in the event an officer inadvertently disables him/herself with the agent. It is the policy of the Everett Police Department that officers, whenever possible under the circumstances, give a verbal warning should be given to the subject before applying OC spray if possible.

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