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## TRAINING BULLETIN

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### KCSOPPM F-Sections 600 & 700 Policy Release

Over the past several years, the Sheriff's Office has been working closely with the California Department of Justice (CalDOJ) and the Monitoring Team (MT) to refine F-section policies addressing use of force to align them with the Stipulated Judgment (SJ). Final approval of these policies was recently granted.

The release of revised KCSOPPM F-section of policies began on February 9, 2026. They will continue to be released over the next several weeks to give staff time to familiarize themselves with the changes, but the policies will not take effect until **April 15, 2026**. These policies pertain to the use of force, force options, and critical incident reviews. Each set of policies will be released with a training bulletin and a relevant PowerPoint.

- **KCSOPPM F-0600: Use of Force - Conducted Energy Weapons**
  - Renumbered (Previously F-800)
  - Incorporated Detentions Bureau Policy O-500 "Taser Use in Detentions Facilities" into a Department Policy
  - Will replace Detentions Bureau Policy O-500, which will be removed
- **KCSOPPM F-0700: Use of Force – Electronic Immobilization Shield (EIS)**
  - F-700 was previously "Use of Deadly Force"
  - With passage of AB 392/SB230, F-700 was merged into the existing F-100 policy and became unused.
  - Incorporated Detentions Bureau Policy O-300 "Electronic Immobilization Shield" into a Department Policy
  - Will replace and delete DBPPM O-300

These policies and their respective attachments can be found on SheriffNet or via the hyperlink below:

- [Procedure Manual](#)
- [PowerPoint](#)

**All personnel** are required to review the above-listed policies, watch the attached video, and acknowledge this training bulletin no later than **April 3, 2026, at 1700 hours**. All personnel are directed to read these policies and acknowledge the training bulletin by the due date. After **April 15, 2026**, an audit will be conducted to ensure all required policy readings, training bulletin acknowledgements, and mandatory trainings are completed. Failure to complete one or all of the above-mentioned requirements can lead to disciplinary action.