TRAINING AND TESTING SPECIFICATIONS FOR LEARNING DOMAIN #31 CUSTODY

July 1, 2018

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I. LEARNING NEED

Peace officers must know their responsibilities and liabilities for the care, custody, and safety of prisoners while ensuring their constitutional and statutory rights.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- A. Recall the definition of custody
- B. Recognize general responsibilities an officer has for the care and custody of an arrested person
- C. Recognize the liabilities for an officer who shows callous disregard for an arrested person's safety
- D. Recognize the circumstances that ensure a legal basis for commitment to custody, including:
 - 1. Court documents (e.g., warrants, court orders, etc.)
 - 2. Parole and probation commitments
 - 3. Probable cause arrests
 - 4. Prisoners in transit
- E. Recognize constitutional rights and protections afforded to an arrested person while in an officer's charge
- F. Recognize fatal errors officers can make that jeopardize their safety while performing custodial duties

II. LEARNING NEED

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Peace officers must know the elements required to complete crimes involving the treatment of prisoners and to correctly categorize these crimes as misdemeanors or felonies.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- A. Recognize the crime elements, required to complete the crime of:
 - 1. Assault of a prisoner under the color of authority
 - 2. Cruel or unusual treatment of prisoners
 - 3. Inhumane or oppressive treatment of a prisoner
- B. Identify the crime classification as a misdemeanor or felony
- C. Recognize the crime of violation of a prisoner's civil rights

III. LEARNING NEED

Peace officers must know they are legally responsible for the safety, well being, and level of care prisoners receive while those prisoners are held in a custodial facility

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- A. Recognize the crime elements for bringing a firearm, deadly weapon, or explosive into a detention facility
- B. Identify the crime classification as a misdemeanor or felony
- C. Recognize responsibilities of the arresting or transporting officer and custodial personnel regarding medical care prescreening of prisoners before being accepted into a local detention facility
- D. Identify classes of prisoners who may require special care or protection

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IV. REQUIRED LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- A. The student will participate in a facilitated discussion which relates to the legal responsibilities of a peace officer in the care and custody of an arrested person from the time of arrest to the transfer of responsibility to a local detention facility. At a minimum, the discussion must address:
 - 1. Legal basis for the custody
 - 2. Pertinent laws relating to the care and custody of the arrested person
 - 3. Officer's responsibilities during intake
 - 4. Actions of custodial personnel upon receipt of the arrested person

V. HOURLY REQUIREMENTS

Students shall be provided with a minimum number of instructional hours on custody.

VI. ORIGINATION DATE

January 1, 2001

VII. REVISION DATE

January 1, 2002 January 19, 2007 July 1, 2018 January 1, 2004 July 1, 2008 September 15, 2004 July 1, 2010 January 1, 2006 February 15, 2017