

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION

Police Officer Standards and Training Council Connecticut Police Academy

GENERAL NOTICE 13-01

To: Chief Law Enforcement Officers

Training Officers Protective Services Resident Troopers

From: Thomas E. Flaherty

Police Academy Administrator

Date: September 4, 2013

Subject: Council Action – Adoption of an Electronic Control Weapon Model Policy

with Accompanying Model "Lesson Plan for the CEW Equipped Police

Officer in Connecticut"

At a Special Meeting of the Police Officers Standards and Training Council on August 16, 2013, the Council adopted a "Model Policy for Electronic Control Weapons" subject to review by the Attorney General's Office. A review by the Attorney General's Office has been conducted and the final version of that Model Policy in included with this General Notice.

Also included in this distribution is a Model "Lesson Plan for the CEW Equipped Police Officer in Connecticut." The policy and the electronic version of the Lesson Plan can be found at the POST Website (www.ct.gov/post).

Work on the development of this policy and lesson plan has been ongoing since August 2011 following an initial meeting with the United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, his staff and several stakeholders including POSTC, the Connecticut State Police and the Connecticut Attorney General's Office.

This Model Policy and Lesson Plan is provided and distributed for Connecticut Law Enforcement agencies to adopt, modify existing policies and lesson plans and use as a resource in an advisory capacity in conjunction with National Standards. The Model Policy and Lesson Plan address issues that have been identified from resources around the country and through the United States Department of Justice.

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This Model Policy and Lesson Plan has been developed through the cooperation and assistance of a number of law enforcement professionals including Sgt. Mike Georgoulis of the Danbury Police Department, Sgt. Robert Palmer, of the Training Staff of the Connecticut State Police, the Police Officers Standards and Training Council and the Curriculum Committee of the Council and oversight and guidance from Assistant Attorney Generals Terry O'Neill and DeAnn Varunes.

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