



## GENERAL ORDER

### FORCIBLE STOPPING

Implementation Date: August 28, 2019

Revokes: None (Previously issued in GO 28)

### GENERAL ORDER – 28B

#### 28B.1 INTRODUCTION

Deliberate contact with fleeing vehicles may be authorized by a supervisor in deadly force situations, as defined in General Order 3.3.1 (The Use of Lethal Response) or when the supervisor has reasonable belief that the immediate termination of the flight of the fleeing vehicle is necessary to protect the lives of innocent people.

#### 28.2 DEFINITIONS

Barricade - Any hindrance or obstacle whether natural or man-made, set up and maintained by Coral Springs Police personnel solely for the purpose of cutting off or reducing the escape route of a fugitive operating a motor vehicle.

Emergency Situation - A situation in which the physical safety and well-being of an individual is directly jeopardized.

Vehicle Suppression Techniques – A trained technique utilized by officers that may or may not require deliberate contact with a vehicle to prevent occupants from fleeing and endangering the public.

#### 28B.3 POLICY/PROCEDURE

##### 28B.3.1 Offensive Tactics

A. Department policy regarding the use of deadly force shall be strictly followed.

##### B. Vehicle Suppression

1. Officers driving marked vehicles, with supervisor approval, may utilize vehicle suppression techniques on a suspect vehicle whose occupants are committing, have committed or are about to commit a forcible felony, as defined in GO 28A, to prevent the suspect vehicle from fleeing and endangering the public.
2. Officers driving unmarked vehicles, with supervisor approval, may utilize vehicle suppression techniques on a suspect's vehicle whose occupants are committing, have committed or are about to commit a felony or forcible felony, as defined in GO 28A, to prevent the suspect vehicle from fleeing and endangering the public.

3. If during an attempt to perform a vehicle suppression, an officer's vehicle is struck, this will not be used as the sole basis for continuation of the pursuit.

**C. Tire Deflation Devices**

1. Sworn members shall receive training regarding the use of tire deflation devices.
2. Tire deflation devices shall only be used in accordance with provided training.

**D. Barricades**

1. A sworn supervisor must authorize the use of a barricade. Generally, a barricade will be employed only as a last resort. The use of a barricade must be directly associated with the seriousness of the crime for which the suspect is wanted.
2. The barricade must be clearly visible and provide adequate warning to allow vehicles to come to a safe stop. The roadway shall not be completely blocked unless the use of deadly force would be authorized.

**28B.3.2 Administrative Review**

- A. An incident report or supplement is required for members involved in the use of the forcible stopping technique. The authorizing supervisor shall articulate, in a supplemental report, the reasons for use.
- B. A Fleeing Vehicle/Pursuit Critique will be routed and reviewed as required in GO 28A. If contact is made with a PD Vehicle, a Response to Resistance (Blue Team), Crash Report, and/or Vehicle Damage report may also be required.

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