OFFICIAL ORDER
MICHIGAN STATE POLICE

Chapter: **Arrests, Use of Force, Care of Prisoners**

Subject: **05-18 – Intermediate Weapon: CS/OC Spray**

Effective: June 20, 2023

Supersedes: N/A

Distribution: Department Members

PURPOSE: This Order establishes department policy for carrying and using CS/OC spray, which is classified as an intermediate weapon.

05-18-1 CARRYING AND USE OF INTERMEDIATE WEAPONS

A. Intermediate weapons shall only be issued to and used by enforcement members who have been trained, authorized, and have demonstrated proficiency with the weapon.

B. Enforcement members shall refer to Official Order 05-15 – Use of Intermediate Weapons for the department's policy on the use of intermediate weapons.

C. Only department-issued intermediate weapons shall be used.

D. At minimum, enforcement members will receive training on all intermediate weapons annually.

05-18-2 CS/OC SPRAY

A. Chemical irritants authorized by the Defensive Tactics Training Unit shall only be issued to those enforcement members who have received training in the use of chemical agents.

B. All uniformed enforcement members who have received training in the use of chemical irritants shall carry this item on the uniform duty belt in the department-issued case.

C. All non-uniformed enforcement members who have received training in the use of chemical irritants and have been issued canisters are encouraged to carry this item whenever practical.

D. Enforcement members shall report all incidents involving the use of chemical irritants to their supervisor as soon as possible. The use of chemical irritants shall also be documented in an incident report.

E. Horseplay with chemical irritants is prohibited.

F. The standard issue spray is combination of Orthochlorobenzalmalonitrile (CS) and Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) in a 2oz cannister as issued by the Distribution Center.

All procedures related to documenting the use of force shall be followed in accordance with the guidelines stipulated in Procedure Manual 05-03 – Documenting, Reporting, and Investigating Use of Force.

DIRECTOR

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