

Minneapolis Police Department Use of Force Dashboard Definitions



Force Type	Current Detail	Definition/Use Case
Bodily Force	Control Pressure While Handcuffing	Restricting a subject's movement while the subject is upright to pin the subject to a fixed object (such as applying pressure while the subject is against a vehicle or building).
Bodily Force	Body Weight Pin	Restricting a subject's movement by use of body weight to pin the subject to the ground or floor.
Bodily Force	Takedown	Using physical force to direct a person to the ground
Bodily Force	Joint Lock	Manipulating a subject's joint until it reaches its maximal degree of motion and hyperextension- wrist lock, shoulder lock, elbow lock, etc.
Bodily Force	Pushaway	Using physical force to press forward in an effort to effect movement
Bodily Force	Knee	A strike with the knee, either with the kneecap or the surrounding area
Bodily Force	Punch	A Strike with a closed fist
Bodily Force	Kicks	A strike with the leg
Bodily Force	Pressure Point	Applying touch to a pressure point in order to gain control of a situation
Bodily Force	Slap	Applying open hand slap

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Firearm	Firearm Pointed	Pointing a firearm towards a subject, while engaged with them as a potential suspect or as a focus of law enforcement attention in an incident (such as an individual in crisis), with the intent to use or imply the use of the weapon.
Firearm	Firearm Displayed/Unholstered	Taking a firearm out of its holster while engaged with a subject
Firearm	Firearm Deployed	This applies to larger weapons such as rifles, having it in hand (slung or unslung), while engaged with a subject. This does not apply to merely supporting the weapon against your body.
Taser	Firing Darts	When a CEW(Conducted Energy Weapon) is used to discharge probes (also called darts) at a person for the purpose of incapacitation.
Taser	Touch	Applying touch/contact stun mode is when a CEW's electrodes contact a subject's body and the trigger or arc button is activated with no cartridge or probes being discharged. Contact from the CEW with the subject completes the electrical circuit which causes pain but does not cause an incapacitating effect.
Taser	Display	Un-holstering a CEW, while engaged with a subject

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Chemical Irritant	Type	Personal and Large Canister
Baton	Display	Un-holstering a baton, while engaged with a subject
Baton	Strikes	Striking a subject using Baton
Baton	Type	Includes: ASP Baton, Riot Stick
Improvised Weapon	Improvised Weapon	Any object used as a weapon, that is not an authorized control option or is an authorized control option used in an alternate manner. Such as: flashlight, radio, rock, etc..
Less Lethal	40MM Round	Impact munitions which can be fired or launched at a subject