ROSEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT – POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL



- physical actions or verbal behavior reflecting an intention to make it more difficult for officers to achieve actual physical control.
- e. Passive Resistance: A response to police efforts to bring a person into custody or control for detainment or arrest. This is behavior initiated by a subject, when the subject does not comply with verbal or physical control efforts, yet the subject does not attempt to defeat an officer's control efforts.
- f. Officer: Officer means sworn peace officers employed by the Roseville Police Department. It shall also include Cadets, Reserve Police Officers and Community Service Officers while acting in their official capacity.

IV. De-Escalation

At times an officer must exercise control of a violent or resisting person to make an arrest, or to protect the officer, other officers, or members of the community from the risk of imminent harm. Not every potential violent confrontation can be de-escalated, but officers have the ability to impact the direction and the outcome of some situations they handle based on their decision-making and the tactics they choose to employ.

- a. When reasonable, officers should gather information, assess the risks, assemble resources and attempt to slow down the situation.
- b. Officers should use de-escalation techniques and other alternatives to higher levels of force consistent with his or her training whenever possible and appropriate before resorting to force and to reduce the need for force.
- c. Officers should use advisements, warnings, verbal persuasion, and other tactics and alternatives to higher levels of force. Whenever possible and when such delay will not compromise the safety of the officer or another and will not result in the destruction of evidence, escape of a suspect, or commission of a crime, an officer should allow an individual time and opportunity to submit to verbal commands before force is used.
- d. Officers should recognize that they may withdraw to a position that is tactically more secure or allows them greater distance in order to consider or deploy a greater variety of force options.
- e. Officers should perform their work in a manner that avoids unduly jeopardizing their own safety or the safety of others.
- f. When possible, supervisors will acknowledge and respond to incidents where a potential violent confrontation exists or use of force is probable.

V. Responding to Persons in Crisis

All seizures, including seizures for the purpose of taking individuals into custody for treatment, must be reasonable under the Fourth Amendment. Reasonableness is determined on a case-by-case basis. When there is no suspicion of criminal activity, any use of force must be based on the belief that the action is reasonable to protect the subject or others from the threat of imminent physical harm.

There are many reasons a person may be resisting arrest or may be uncooperative or unresponsive. A person may be non-compliant due to a medical condition, mental, physical,