

Law Enforcement In-Service Training in Emergency Vehicle Operations and Police Pursuits For Peace Officers and Part-time Peace Officers*

Learning Objectives

Training in the following objectives may take place at any time of the day and must take place in the type of vehicle (not necessarily the make of the vehicle) the officer normally drives. If officers use other authorized vehicles in the line of duty additional training in that type of vehicle is highly recommended.

Terminal Performance Objectives

Officers shall demonstrate the knowledge and skill needed to reduce criminal and civil liability when involved in emergency and non-emergency vehicle operations mode. This training must be designed to give officers both skill and decision-making ability so that emergency vehicle operations can be resolved safely and successfully. This will be accomplished with a minimum of eight hours of training, which will include a minimum of four hours of in-vehicle operation. Simulators may be used in addition to in-vehicle and classroom training but will not be used to replace the minimum four hours of in-vehicle training. It is recommended that simulator training be used for decision making training.

Interim Performance Objectives

Classroom (Required)

- A. Emergency vehicle operations
- B. Vehicle seizures and intentional stopping techniques
 - 1. Title 42, US Code, Section 1983 “Federal Civil Rights Act”
 - 2. Use of force
 - 3. Use of deadly force
 - 4. Pursuit intervention options
- C. Pursuit decision making
 - 1. Physiological and psychological effects of pursuits
- D. Case law and relevant Minnesota traffic law

In-Vehicle Training (Required)

- A. Evasive driving (collision avoidance)
- B. Pursuits and/or code 3 driving techniques
- C. Skid control and recovery techniques
- D. Controlled braking (anti-lock braking and threshold braking)
- E. Serpentine
- F. Emergency equipment effectiveness
- G. Backing

In-Vehicle (Recommended)

- A. Parking
- B. Non-emergency driving
- C. Defensive driving

* MN Stat 626.8458, Subd. 5., **In-service training in police pursuits required.** The chief law enforcement officer of every state and local law enforcement agency shall provide in-service training in emergency vehicle operations and in the conduct of police pursuits to every peace officer and part-time peace officer employed by the agency who the chief law enforcement officer determines may be involved in a police pursuit given the officer's responsibilities. The training shall comply with learning objectives developed and approved by the board and shall consist of at least eight hours of classroom and skills-based training every five years.