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Patrol Vehicle Operations

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Note to Administrators

In order for POST to review and approve your agency's *Field Training Guide*, you MUST submit the following electronic files:

- 1) The POST FTP Approval Checklist ([Form 2-230](#))
- 2) Your department's *Policy & Procedure Manual*
- 3) Your completed Guide (Volumes 1 & 2), including ALL competency requirements covered in Part 5, Sections 1–18.

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SECTION 5 PATROL VEHICLE OPERATIONS

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5.1 PATROL VEHICLE INSPECTIONS

5.1.01 Purposes of Vehicle Inspections
 The trainee shall explain the purposes of a vehicle inspection prior to driving. These shall minimally include:

A. Prevention of accidents	C. Reduction of maintenance and repair costs
B. Promotion of operational efficiency	D. Location of contraband, evidence, or property

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	SLTPD Policy Section 704.1	

5.1.01 Part B - Agency Training Details *(field will expand automatically)*

704.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE
 Employees are responsible for assisting in maintaining Department vehicles so that they are properly equipped, properly maintained, properly refueled and present a clean appearance.

704.2 DEFECTIVE VEHICLES
 When a department vehicle becomes inoperative or in need of repair that affects the safety of the vehicle, that vehicle shall be removed from service for repair. Proper documentation shall be promptly completed by the employee who first becomes aware of the defective condition, describing the correction needed. The paperwork shall be promptly forwarded to vehicle maintenance for repair.

5.1.02 Vehicle Components
 The trainee shall describe the location and use of the following:

- A. Rear door locks
- B. Trunk and hood release
- C. Firearms/weapon release systems
- D. Emergency lights and siren switches
- E. Flares
- F. First-aid equipment
- G. Radio
- H. Spare tire
- I. Spare tire release
- J. Jack and handle
- K. Engine fluid compartments and dip sticks

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5.1.02 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum) N/A

5.1.02 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

Trainee shall additionally describe the location and operate of the following:

- Login to the mobile data computer (MDC)
- Arbitrator system login (Mobile Audio Video system)
- Arbitrator microphone pack docking location
- Activation of Mobile Audio Video system
- Stop a Mobile Audio Video recording, and classify the video in the Arbitrator system
- Secure idle button
- 4x4 selector switch (on select patrol cars)

5.1.03 Requests for Vehicle Service

The trainee shall explain agency policy regarding requests for vehicle service in the field.

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5.1.03 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

If a patrol vehicle becomes unusable in the field, the officer should do the following:

- notify dispatch via the police radio their location and vehicle malfunction (vehicle stopped running, flat tire, electrical problems, etc...)
- notify the on duty supervisor to determine a disposition of the vehicle, (i.e.:towed to city yard, fleet maintenance to respond and replace flat tire, etc....)

5.1.04 Vehicle Maintenance

The trainee shall explain agency policy regarding proper maintenance of police vehicles. This explanation shall minimally include:

- A. The procedure for regular maintenance and service of patrol vehicles
- B. The procedure for turning in and requesting repair for a damaged or mechanically deficient vehicle
- C. Completion of proper forms/documentation

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SLTPD Policy Section 706.7

5.1.04 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

If a vehicle is in need of maintenance, the officer is to write the vehicle up on the whiteboard in the key and radio room. The problem with the vehicle is to be written under the corresponding key hook on the whiteboard. If a vehicle is already written up for service/maintenance officers should choose a vehicle that does not require service for their patrol shift.

5.1.05 Pre-Shift Inspection

The trainee shall conduct a pre-shift inspection of the patrol vehicle, to include:

<p>A. Visual check of vehicle exterior for damage</p> <p>B. Tires for wear and proper inflation</p> <p>C. Inspection of the trunk for the spare tire and required equipment</p> <p>D. Operations check of the vehicle equipment (lights, horn, etc.), and the emergency equipment (light bar, siren, public address system, etc.)</p>	<p>E. Inspection of the firearms/weapons release systems</p> <p>F. Inspection of vehicle interior that includes checking behind the sun visors, in the glove box, and beneath the seats for contraband, evidence, property, or items left from a previous shift</p>
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SLTPD Policy Section 706.7
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 SLTPD Policy Section 706.3.1

5.1.05 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

In addition to the list above, Officers need to check the following:

Pre-shift inspection:

- Check vehicle exterior and interior for new damage
- o If new damage is located, notify on duty supervisor, and log the new damage on the vehicle damage board in the watch commander's office.
- Check interior of vehicle for the following items
 - o Fire extinguisher
 - o First aid kit, CPR mask
 - o Emergency road flares
 - o Blanket
 - o Blood-Borne pathogen kit, including protective gloves
 - o Sticks of yellow crayon or chalk
 - o Hazardous waste pad
 - o Evidence collection kit
- Inspect the interior of the vehicle for the following
 - o Contraband/evidence left behind from the previous shift
 - If contraband or evidence is located, notify supervisor, and document the incident properly
- Check the function of emergency lighting and siren
- Check the less than lethal shotgun
 - o Proper 12 gauge shotgun with WHITE foregrip and buttstock
 - o Proper Defense-Tec drag stabilized beanbags loaded into the shotgun
 - o If beanbag shot gun is deficient on less than lethal rounds, see watch commander for replacement
- Vacuum and wash the vehicle as needed
- Document on shift sign-in the vehicle that you are driving.
- o If an officer changes vehicle mid shift, the officer will document the new vehicle on the shift sign in.

5.2 PATROL VEHICLE OPERATION SAFETY

5.2.01 Approved Driving Techniques
 The trainee shall review and explain agency policy on approved driving techniques, including:

A. Backing
 B. Parking
 C. Right-of-way violations
 D. Passing
 E. Excessive speed

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SLTPD Policy Section 706.3.6 - Parking

5.1.01 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

Unless responding code 3(lights and siren) officers are expected to drive in a safe and prudent manner, following the rules of the road.

5.2.02 Stopping Distance
 The trainee shall discuss the factors which influence the overall stopping distance of a vehicle, including:

A. Driver condition	E. Reaction time and distance
B. Vehicle condition	F. Braking distance
C. Environmental conditions, including road surfaces	G. Knowledge of anti-lock braking system
D. Vehicle speeds	

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5.2.02	Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)
<p>Trainee shall be able to discuss or demonstrate safe stopping of the patrol vehicle.</p> <p>The trainee shall be able to discuss or demonstrate stopping and controlling the patrol vehicle in winter conditions, as well as how the anti-lock breaking system works on the snow and ice.</p>	

5.2.03 Defensive Driving The trainee shall identify the components of defensive driving, including: A. Driver attitude B. Driver skill C. Vehicle capability D. Seat belt usage								
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5.2.03	Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically) Trainee shall be able to discuss or demonstrate safe defensive driving. Defensive Driving: - Arrive at your destination safely regardless of who has the right of way. Officers may have the right of way while responding code 3 (lights and siren) however, motorists may be unaware of the officer's vehicle operating code 3 and may turn in front of the patrol car, or make sudden stops.
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5.2.04 Driver Attitude								
The trainee shall identify driver attitudes that can contribute to the occurrence of traffic accidents, including:								
A. Overconfidence		C. "Road rage"		D. Self righteousness				
B. Impatience								
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5.2.04	Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically) Trainee should review and discuss the SAFE Driving Campagin by California POST. https://www.post.ca.gov/safedriving.aspx	
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5.3 SITUATION-APPROPRIATE, FOCUSED, EDUCATED (SAFE) DRIVING

5.3.01 Applying SAFE Driving Techniques
 The trainee will understand and demonstrate the application of SAFE driving during routine and emergency situations. The elements of SAFE driving include:

A. “Situation-Appropriate” – refers to the need for law enforcement officers to modify their driving for the varied circumstances encountered in a patrol driving environment, for example:

1. Routine patrol vs. “Code 3” driving
2. School zone vs. rural highway driving
3. Transitioning from freeways and commercial/ business/industrial areas into residential neighborhood streets
4. Driving in inclement weather and/or at night vs. ideal dry/clear weather and/or daylight conditions

B. The trainee will understand that the “appropriateness” of his/her driving style for the conditions present is also dictated by agency policy. FTOs, supervisors, managers, and department heads will reinforce what driving attitudes are “appropriate” for specific situations.

C. “Focused” – addresses the many concerns related to roadway position/conditions, distractions, fatigue, multi-tasking, equipment, and driver capabilities.

D. “Educated” – refers to training (academy, FTO, in- service/ongoing) and policy, and the need for the trainee to continually apply knowledge gained in these areas to his/her daily driving habits.

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5.3.01	Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A

5.3.01 Part B - Agency Training Details *(field will expand automatically)*

Trainee should review and discuss the SAFE Driving Campaign by California POST.

<https://www.post.ca.gov/safedriving.aspx>

5.3.02 Ongoing Driving Instruction/Training

The trainee will understand the importance of the following critical areas of driving instruction and be able to explain how ongoing exposure and training in each area can benefit the trainee in the application of SAFE driving:

A. Use of Law Enforcement Driving Simulators in addition to Emergency Vehicle Operations Courses in ongoing and in-service training

B. Speeds officers are expected to encounter in routine and emergency driving

C. Night driving

D. Use of interference vehicle(s) to simulate actual roadway conditions

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5.3.02 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable *(600 characters maximum)* N/A

314.8.1 PURSUIT TRAINING

5.3.02 Part B - Agency Training Details *(field will expand automatically)*

E314.8.1 REGULAR AND PERIODIC PURSUIT TRAINING
 In addition to initial and supplementary Police Officer Standard Training (POST) training on pursuits required by Penal Code § 13519.8, all sworn members of this department will participate no less than annually in regular and periodic department training addressing this policy and the importance of vehicle safety and protecting the public at all times, including a recognition of the need to balance the known offense and the need for immediate capture against the risks to officers and others (Vehicle Code § 17004.7(d)).

5.3.03 Potential Risks Related to Inappropriate Driving

The trainee will be made aware that routine and emergency patrol driving are among the most critically serious and potentially dangerous functions of a law enforcement officer. There is a real and ever present risk of injury or death to officers and members of the public when an officer drives in a manner unsafe for conditions, beyond their capabilities, or beyond the capabilities of their patrol vehicle.

Between 2003 and 2010, more officers were injured or killed in traffic accidents than in assaults. In addition, severe criminal and/or civil sanctions can be imposed on the law enforcement officer and/or organization as a result of unsafe vehicle operation.

The trainee will be made aware of these facts and will relate the importance of SAFE driving to the FTO. The trainee will continually demonstrate SAFE driving practices throughout the FTO program in preparation for continued SAFE driving throughout his/her law enforcement career.

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5.3.03 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum) N/A

CVC 21055 and CVC 21056
SLTPD Policy Manual 1021 - Seatbelts

5.3.03 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

Officers will drive in a safe and prudent manner in all conditions. Officers will adhere to SLTPD Policy and California law regarding vehicle operation, emergency vehicle operation, and driving with due regard to the safety of others.

5.3.04 Driver Fatigue
The trainee shall discuss the effects of driver fatigue, including:

A. Lower visual efficiency	E. Lack of awareness
B. Slower reaction time	F. Mood changes
C. Reduced attentiveness	G. Reduced judgment ability
D. Memory lapses	H. Risk of falling asleep at the wheel

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5.3.04 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum) N/A

5.3.04 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)
 Trainee should review and discuss the SAFE Driving Campagin by California POST.
<https://www.post.ca.gov/safedriving.aspx>

5.3.05 Driving Safely
 The trainee shall drive the vehicle in a safe and alert manner complying with all laws, regulations, and policies.

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5.3.05 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum) N/A

5.3.05 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)
 Trainee will operate the vehicle safely in all situations.

5.4 USE OF SEATBELTS

5.4.01 Seatbelt Use during Routine and Emergency Driving Conditions and Tactical Seatbelt Removal

The trainee will review agency policy regarding the use of seatbelts while on patrol. The trainee will be made aware of the fact that use of the seatbelt in both routine and emergency driving dramatically increases the chance of survival and decreases the potential for injury during crash.

Tactical seatbelt removal (removing the seatbelt as the patrol vehicle slows just prior to safely coming to a stop, so the officer can quickly exit the vehicle) will be discussed by the FTO if such practice is allowed by agency policy. If agency policy allows such practice, the trainee will demonstrate when to appropriately use a tactical removal of the seatbelt.

The FTO will continually monitor seatbelt use (and tactical removal of the seatbelt when appropriate) to ensure that the trainee is habitually wearing the seatbelt while on patrol, and is only removing it during a safe and opportune time, given the situation at hand.

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5.4.01 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum) N/A

SLTPD Policy 1021 - Seatbelts
CVC 27315.5

5.4.01 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

Trainee will have proper use of seatbelt while operating the motor vehicle in accordance with SLTPD Policy and the California Vehicle Code

Refer to SAFE Driving Campagin by California POST.

<https://www.post.ca.gov/safedriving.aspx>

5.5 EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATIONS/PURSUIITS

5.5.01 Agency Policy
The trainee shall review and explain the agency’s policy concerning pursuits and Code 3 driving.

<i>Reference(s):</i> SLTPD POLICY SECTION 314					Case # (If applicable)	Incident #		
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Additional Information:**5.5.01 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum)** N/A

SLTPD POLICY SECTION 314 - Vehicle Pursuits

5.5.01 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

Trainee shall be able to discuss the following:

- Factors used to determine when to initiate a pursuit
- Factors considered to self terminate a pursuit
- Responsibilities of all involved officers in the pursuit
- The officers own abilities and the abilities of their equipment
- Driving safely and with due regard to the public
- Communications
- Supervisor responsibilities
- Inter-jurisdictional pursuits

5.5.02 Driver Tactics
 The trainee shall identify the tactics that should be utilized by the driver of an emergency vehicle while in a pursuit or during any other emergency response. These tactics shall minimally include:

- A. Slowing for intersections
- B. Careful observation at cross streets
- C. Caution when passing other vehicles
- D. Constant alertness for any unforeseen hazards
- E. Using a well planned route of travel in emergency response situations

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5.5.02 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum) N/A

5.5.02 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)
 -Trainee shall discuss or demonstrate defensive driving while responding code 3 or in a pursuit

5.5.03 Continuing vs. Terminating Pursuits
 The trainee shall discuss those factors to consider in determining whether to continue or terminate/abandon a pursuit. These factors shall minimally include:

A. Amount of other traffic (vehicular and pedestrian)	E. Seriousness of crime(s) in relation to potential likelihood of injury to innocent persons or damage to property
B. Road hazards and road conditions	F. Whether vehicle or driver can be identified
C. Environmental conditions	
D. Capability and condition of patrol vehicle and driver	

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SLTPD Policy Section 314.2.1 SLTPD Policy Section 314.2.2	

5.5.03 Part B - Agency Training Details *(field will expand automatically)***314.2.1 WHEN TO INITIATE A PURSUIT**

Officers are authorized to initiate a pursuit when it is reasonable to believe that a suspect is attempting to evade arrest or detention by fleeing in a vehicle.

The following factors individually and collectively shall be considered in deciding whether to initiate a pursuit:

(a) Seriousness of the known or reasonably suspected crime and its relationship to community safety. (b) The importance of protecting the public and balancing the known or reasonably suspected offense and the apparent need for immediate capture against the risks to officers, innocent motorists and others. (c) Apparent nature of the fleeing suspects (e.g., whether the suspects represent a serious threat to public safety). (d) The identity of the suspects has been verified and there is comparatively minimal risk in allowing the suspects to be apprehended at a later time. (e) Safety of the public in the area of the pursuit, including the type of area, time of day, the amount of vehicular and pedestrian traffic and the speed of the pursuit relative to these factors. (f) Pursuing officers familiarity with the area of the pursuit, the quality of radio communications between the pursuing units and the dispatcher/supervisor and the driving capabilities of the pursuing officers under the conditions of the pursuit. (g) Weather, traffic and road conditions that substantially increase the danger of the pursuit beyond the worth of apprehending the suspect. (h) Performance capabilities of the vehicles used in the pursuit in relation to the speeds and other conditions of the pursuit. (i) Vehicle speeds. (j) Other persons in or on the pursued vehicle (e.g., passengers, co-offenders and hostages). (k) Availability of other resources such as helicopter assistance. (l) The police unit is carrying passengers other than police officers. Pursuits should not be undertaken with a prisoner in the police vehicle.

314.2.2 WHEN TO TERMINATE A PURSUIT

In addition to the factors listed in WHEN TO INITIATE A PURSUIT of this policy, the following factors should also be considered in deciding whether to terminate a pursuit:

(a) Distance between the pursuing officers and the fleeing vehicle is so great that further pursuit would be futile or require the pursuit to continue for an unreasonable time and/or distance. (b) Pursued vehicle's location is no longer definitely known. (c) Officer's pursuit vehicle sustains any type of damage that renders it unsafe to drive. (d) Extended pursuits of violators for misdemeanors not involving violence or risk of serious harm (independent of the pursuit) are discouraged. (e) There are hazards to uninvolved bystanders or motorists. (f) If the identity of the offender is known and it does not reasonably appear that the need for immediate capture outweighs the risks associated with continuing the pursuit, officers should strongly consider discontinuing the pursuit and apprehending the offender at a later time. (g) Pursuit is terminated by a supervisor.

5.5.04 Handling Emergency Response or Pursuit								
Given a simulated or an actual emergency response or pursuit, the trainee shall demonstrate safe and effective driving practices.								
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5.5.04	Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)
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5.6 VEHICLE OPERATION LIABILITY								
5.6.01 “Rules of the Road” The trainee shall discuss how an officer operating a patrol vehicle under non-emergency conditions is subject to the same “rule of the road” as any other driver.								
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5.6.01	Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)	
Officers are not exempt from the rules of the road unless diving in an emergency situation, within the scope of SLTPD Policy, and California Law.		

5.6.02 Vehicle Code Exemptions
 The trainee shall explain the situations in which the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle is exempt from the Vehicle Code provisions listed in Section 21055, including:

A. Responding to an emergency call
 B. Engaged in a rescue operation
 C. In pursuit of a violator
 D. Responding to a fire alarm

Reference(s): SLTPD POLICY SECTION 314

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5.6.02 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

FERP:

- Fire
- Emergency
- Rescue
- Pursuit

5.6.03 Exemption Requirements								
The trainee shall explain the exemption requirements of the Vehicle Code regarding the use of red lights and siren under Sections 21055(b) and 21807 .								
Reference(s): SLTPD POLICY SECTION 314						Case # (If applicable)	Incident #	
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5.6.03	Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)	Trainee shall discuss or demonstrate knowledge of California 21055 VC and SLTPD Policy 314 regarding exemptions. The trainee shall discuss the operational considerations and what is permissible under SLTPD Policy when driving an unmarked police car versus a marked police car. Trainee shall identify vehicles that they may drive which would not be exempt them from california law (CSO trucks, maintenance trucks, etc...)
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5.6.04 Liability for Death, Injury or Property Damage
 The trainee shall explain the conditions under which he/she and/or their agency may be held liable for deaths, injury or property damage which occur while an emergency vehicle is being operated with red lights and siren (Code 3), including:

A. Failure to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons
 B. When the agency has not adopted a written policy on police pursuits in compliance with Vehicle Code 17004.7
 C. A negligent or wrongful act or omission by an employee of a public entity.
 D. When not responding to an emergency call, not in the immediate pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, or when responding to other emergencies.

<i>Reference(s):</i> SLTPD POLICY SECTION 314						Case # (If applicable)		Incident #	
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5.6.04 Part A - Reference Agency Policies/Procedures, if applicable (600 characters maximum) N/A

5.6.04 Part B - Agency Training Details (field will expand automatically)

See next page for Attestation

Part 5 – Section 5: Patrol Vehicle Operations

ATTESTATION FOR SECTION 5

TO ENTER YOUR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE:

- Click on the 'X' in the signature line to activate the signature field > Right click and select "Sign" from the menu.
- Click on "Select Image" > Locate your signature file > Click "Open" to place your signature (date appears automatically).
- Enter your full name next to your signature.

YOUR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES VERIFY that the Field Training Officer (FTO) and Trainee attest to the following:

1. The FTO(s) provided all instruction, training, and related feedback/comments to the Trainee in accordance with the agency's training requirements for this portion of the Field Training Program.
 2. The Trainee demonstrated all competencies required for this portion of the Field Training Program.
 3. If remedial training was performed, the results were reviewed by the appropriate FTO(s) and accepted by the Trainee.
 4. The final evaluation of the Trainee's performance for this portion of the Field Training Program were approved by the FTO(s) and accepted by the Trainee.
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Primary Field Training Officer:

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Print Full Name: _____

Trainee:

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Print Full Name: _____

IMPORTANT: After signing the Attestation, the file will be "locked" and **CANNOT BE MODIFIED**. If you need to make changes, both signatures must be removed and re-entered after the final revisions have been made.

To remove the electronic signature: Right click on the signature line > Select "Remove" from the menu.

See the following pages for Instructions to Administrators and FTOs

How to Complete Part 5 (Sections 1–18)

INSTRUCTIONS TO ADMINISTRATORS

VOLUME 2 OF THE FIELD TRAINING GUIDE CONSISTS OF 18 SECTIONS WHICH MAKE UP PART 5. Each section is provided as a separate file on the POST website (<https://www.post.ca.gov/field-training--police-training.aspx>). Prior to submitting your FTP Guide to POST for review, you must complete all 18 sections and include them as part of your Guide.

1. **Set up:** Keep an unchanged copy of each section file as a master for reference. Make a copy of the file to use for your agency-specific entries.
2. **Front cover (optional):** To keep a hard copy of Volume 2 for internal use, you can add your agency name and date to the front cover.
3. **For each section (1–18):**
 - a. Open the applicable file and add your agency name and date to the header on page 1. (DO NOT change any other headers or footers or alter any other sections of the file.)
 - b. Below each table:
 - Part A:* Enter applicable references from your agency’s Policies & Procedure Manual.
 - Part B:* Enter your agency’s training details.
4. **After completing ALL sections (1–18),** you MUST submit the following materials via flash drive, CD, or DVD to POST for review and approval (do not send printed copies):
 - 1) **Your completed FTP Guide**
 - 2) **FTP Approval Checklist** ([POST Form 2-230](#))
NOTE: Guides submitted without this form will NOT be reviewed.
 - 3) **Your Department’s Policy & Procedure Manual**
5. MAIL YOUR ELECTRONIC MEDIA TO:
Commission on POST
860 Stillwater Road, Suite 100
West Sacramento, CA 95605
Attn: Phil Caporale – BTB
6. You will receive status notification within 90 days from the date received.

See next page for Instructions to Field Training Officers

How to Complete Part 5 (Sections 1–18)

INSTRUCTIONS TO FIELD TRAINING OFFICERS (FTOs)

VOLUME 2 OF THE FIELD TRAINING GUIDE CONSISTS OF 18 SECTIONS WHICH MAKE UP PART 5. Each section has been customized by your agency administrator(s) to include references to policies and procedures and training details to meet your agency's Field Training Program requirements. Each file is provided as a separate file. For each section (1–18), complete all tables for each topic.

1. **Set up:** Keep an unchanged copy of each section file as a master for reference. Make a copy of the file to use for your training sessions.
2. **Tracking your training sessions:**
 - a. Upon completing each competency, enter the FTO and trainee names and dates, and how the competency was demonstrated, into the applicable tables.
 - b. Enter any note-worthy comments related to the trainee's performance.
3. **If trainee requires remedial training:**
 - c. Enter the FTO and trainee names and dates, and how the competency was remediated, to show that each competency was completed.
 - d. Enter any additional note-worthy comments related to the trainee's performance.
4. **Attestation:** After all competencies have been performed, including any remedial training, the primary FTO and Trainee **MUST** enter their electronic signatures on the Attestation page (see instructions) to verify that the Trainee has completed this portion of the Field Training Program.

End Section