5-06/040.45 - Use of Chemical Agents

The authorized use of CS chemical agents during disturbances, riots, barricaded suspects or mentally ill persons, shall have as a primary objective one or all of the following:

• Prevention of violence;

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- Suppression and dispersal of unlawful assemblies with minimum hazard to the public and law enforcement;
- Incapacitation and removal of a barricaded person or suspect endangering life, property and public safety and security; and
- Area/building deprivation to prevent further destruction of property when other means are not practical.

CS chemical agents shall not be employed, or their use threatened, to disperse demonstrators or others who are not actually endangering public safety and security.
