

Driver Awareness Update

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATIONS CENTER

8 HOUR DRIVER AWARENESS/STARPRO

I. REGISTRATION/ORIENTATION, .25 HOUR

A. REGISTRATION

1. Class documentation
2. Course grade cards

B. Course Purpose and Philosophy

1. Enhance the efficiency and safety of police vehicle operations
2. Reduction in accident statistics
3. Departmental liability
4. Proper use of basic driving principles
5. All principles are interrelated

C. Overview of Course

II. BASIC DRIVING PRINCIPLES, 1.25 HOURS

A. Five Principles of Precision Vehicle Operation

1. Weight transfer
2. Steering control
3. Throttle control
4. Brake application
5. Road position

B. Safety Belt Utilization

C. Video: "ABS"

III. LEGAL ASPECTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, 1 HOUR

A. Vehicle Operations Liability

1. Sections 17001, 17004, 17004.7, 21052, 21055 a & b, 21056, 21057, 21806, 21807, and 22350 C.V.C.
2. Personal liability factors, 669 Evid. C., 669.1 Evid. C., Code 3-Driving Techniques

B. Agency Emergency Driving Policy

IV. VEHICLE CARE AND MAINTENANCE (INVENTORY DRIVING, .5 HOUR

V. VEHICLE OPERATION FACTORS/DEFENSIVE DRIVING, 1 HOUR

A. Video: "Driving to Distraction"

VI. MANEUVERING COURSE EXERCISES, 4 HOURS

A. Learning Goal

- A. Turn-Around
- B. Offset Lane
- C. Steering Course
- D. "T" Driveway
- E. Parallel Parking

V11. CRITIQUE, .5 HOUR
