2024-01 Reporting the Use of Head Strikes in E-LOTS

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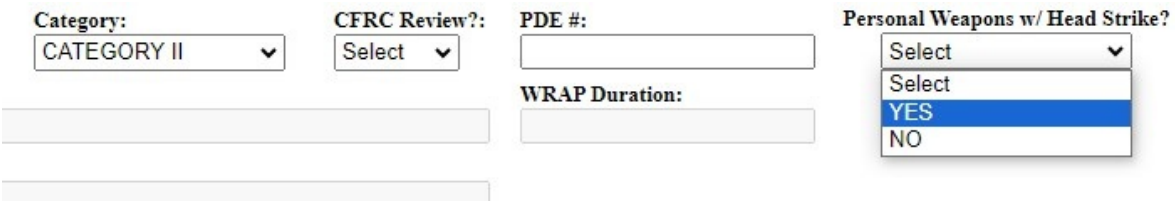
INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this informational bulletin is to ensure consistency and accuracy throughout Custody Operations regarding the reporting of the use of head strikes during use of force incidents in the electronic Line Operations Tracking System (e-LOTS).

PROCEDURES

Per CDM section 7-01/030.00, "Prohibited Force" and in accordance with Rosas provision 2.6, the use of personal weapons to strike an inmate in the head is prohibited unless the inmate is physically assaultive, presents an imminent danger of serious injury and/or death, and other techniques would be ineffective.

When a Category 2 or 3 use of force incident is entered in e-LOTS, the "Personal Weapons w/Head Strike" field is automatically activated. Personnel making the entry shall select the appropriate response from the dropdown menu. Personnel shall select "yes" in any instance where personal weapons (e.g., punches, kicks, knees, etc.) were used to strike an inmate in the head, face, and/or neck.



Any questions concerning this bulletin can be directed to Custody Support Services Bureau, at (213) 893-5102.