



## LAGUNA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

### TRAINING BULLETIN # 21-04

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of this training bulletin is to provide employees with information regarding the use of the newly approved less lethal kinetic munitions carried with the newly deployed less lethal shotguns.



Policy 308.9.2 DEPLOYMENT CONSIDERATIONS Before discharging projectiles, the officer should consider such factors as: (a) Distance and angle to target. (b) Type of munitions employed. (c) Type and thickness of subject's clothing. (d) The subject's proximity to others. (e) The location of the subject. (f) Whether the subject's actions dictate the need for an immediate response and the use of control devices appears appropriate

Officers should keep in mind the manufacturer's recommendations and their training regarding effective distances and target areas. However, officers are not restricted solely to use according to manufacturer recommendations. Each situation must be evaluated on the totality of circumstances at the time of deployment.

#### Recommendations:



The (pink) 12ga. Lightfield **HV Star** is a high velocity; close range projectile traveling at 850 fps. It should be used within 8-25 yards.

The (black) 12ga. Lightfield **Rubber Slug** 'mid-range' travels at 500 fps and should be used within 15-40 yards.

The less lethal shotgun tube holds six rounds total. Each deployed shotgun will have (3) HV Stars in the tube; plus (3) HV Stars and (3) Rubber Slugs on the saddle. When you arrive on scene, you will have 3 HV Stars available in the tube, rack a round into the chamber and you are ready to fire. If it is determined the suspect is out of range for the HV Star, simply load (3) Rubber Slugs in the tube, rack a round into the chamber and you are ready to fire Rubber Slugs. At this point, you will have (3) Rubber Slugs followed by (3) HV Stars in the tube ready to fire.  
\*No need to unload, or reload ammo types.

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