



SAFETY STANDARD GS010

AUTHORITY

California Penal Code 13601(a)(1): The CPOST shall develop, approve, and monitor standards for the selection and training of state correctional peace officer apprentices.

BACKGROUND

The responsibility of Correctional Peace Officers is the protection of the public from crime and victimization. Correctional Peace Officers in the institutional setting are responsible for maintaining the safety and security of all staff and offenders under their supervision. Correctional Peace Officers in the public setting are vested with the responsibility to protect and ensure the public's safety and that of parolees in their charge by maintaining effective supervision.

Correctional Peace Officers can promote a safe working environment by being constantly aware of their surroundings, applying discretion and ethical decision making in all courses of action, and communicating effectively with persons of all backgrounds. They must be able to recognize dangerous situations and take steps to maintain order in their assigned areas of responsibility. This is accomplished by supporting rehabilitation efforts, de-escalating potentially violent situations, or if the situation dictates, using force appropriately. They must follow and guide others in using established health and safety protocols. Only a well-trained Correctional Peace Officer can perform at this level.

STANDARD

Correctional Peace Officers shall have the Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities to perform their duties as safely as possible within the public and correctional environment. They will receive training and demonstrate proficiency in all aspects of personal and public safety, including: situational awareness, stress management, personal protection, ethical decision making, effective communication and the proper use of their authority.

COMPONENTS OF STANDARD

Correctional Peace Officers shall be trained in:

- Stress Management and personal wellness
- Established protocols for protection from bloodborne and airborne infectious diseases
- The proper use of safety equipment
- Self-defense and the defense of others
- Situational awareness
- Arrest and control of subjects
- Emergency response
- Controlled use of force
- Problem solving/Ethical decision making
- Effective communication

CITATIONS

- 1) Penal Code 830.2 and 830.5
- 2) California Code of Regulations, Title 15;
 - a. 3268 Use of Force
 - b. 3268.2 Use of Restraints
 - c. 3270 General Policy (Article 2, Security)
 - d. 3276 Firearms
 - e. 3278 Control of Inmates and Parolees
 - f. 3291 Employee Peace Officer and Law Enforcement Personnel
 - g. 3300 Prevention of Disorders
 - h. 3430 General Policy (Article 4, General Personnel Regulations)
- 3) CPOST Standard for Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (GS001)
- 4) CPOST Standard for Core Subjects (GS002)
- 5) CPOST Standard for Ethics (GS009)
- 6) CPOST Standard for Communication (GS010)
- 7) PC832