CAROTID RESTRAINTS:

Timnath PD does not train on the use of carotid restraints. A member will not apply pressure to a persons neck that is sufficient to make breathing difficult or impossible.

USE OF FORCE REPORTING:

Timnath police requires the use of force and show of force to be documented in written fashion. All documents are reviewed by supervisors. If use of force is inappropriate, an administrative review will follow.

USE OF FORCE WARNING:

Our training includes verbal commands/warning issued before force is used.

Officers make every effort to de-escalate and announce their presence without jeopardizing the life and safety of others.

USE OF FORCE CONTINUUM:

The Timnath department trains officers to use a force continuum. Training teaches officers to make force decisions based on the level of threat presented. Our defensive tactics and firearms training includes transitioning between responses so officers are well-equipped to move up and down the continuum based on the threat presented.

DUTY TO INTERVENE:

All officers are responsible for ensuring the safety and ethical treatment of community members. Intervention, tactical, judgment, integrity and ethical decision-making are reinforced during in-service training.

EXHAUSTING ALL OPTIONS:

Timnath officers are trained to use the least amount of force necessary to ensure the safety of all involved in a situation.

Our defensive tactics protocols and the use of force continuum teach officers to make force decisions based on the level of threat presented.

DE-ESCALATION:

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De-escalation is integrated into all tactical training.

Several Timnath officers are certified in Crisis Intervention training. We meet or exceed the national standard of 20%.

Mental health professionals can assist with these calls for assistance.

SHOOTING AT MOVING VEHICLES:

Timnath Policy states: Officers should not shoot at any part of a vehicle in an attempt to disable the vehicle. Officers should move out of the path of an approaching vehicle instead of discharging their firearm at the vehicle or any of its occupants. An officer should only discharge a firearm at a moving vehicle or its occupants when the officer reasonably believes deadly force is directed at the officer or others; and there is no reasonable alternative to stop the threat.





The Timnath Police Department is committed to equity and fairness. We've already adopted progressive policies being advocated for by #8CantWait.