# Bronxville Police Department Training Program

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# Firearms Training

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# Handgun Training

- The Bronxville Police Department currently employs the Glock model 22 .40 cal handgun as the Department issued firearm.
- All officers receive initial firearms training in the Police Academy consisting of familiarization with the firearm. The training also includes safe handling, carrying and storing of the firearm and extensive live-fire qualification drills.
- All officers receive an additional 8-16 hours of handgun training annually. This training is comprised of 8 hours of handgun training through In-service training hosted by Westchester County
  Department of Public Safety at the Westchester County Police
  Academy. Bronxville PD also utilizes departmental training staff to host an additional 8 hours of handgun training.

# Handgun Training

Department handgun training is comprised of:

- Safety brief, handgun inspection
- Review of draw and weapons handling
- Shoot/ No-shoot drills (De-escalation)
- Shooting while moving
- Off duty handgun qualification
- Qualification course of fire

## Patrol Rifle Training

- The Bronxville Police Department employs Colt 5.56 caliber Patrol Rifles for service with officers who have additional training and have demonstrated a higher level of aptitude with the rifle.
- The Patrol Rifle has been adopted by Departments throughout the country as a force multiplier in events ranging from active shooter situations to calls for service involving use of a firearm or other weapon.
- Currently 13 members of the Department are qualified to carry a Patrol Rifle while on duty. Those officers are distributed among all tours of duty to ensure a Patrol Rifle is in service at all times.
- All Patrol Rifles are secured in hardened boxes in Patrol Vehicles.

# Patrol Rifle Training

- Safety brief, weapons inspection
- Review of weapons handling (Carrying rifle, shooting stance, muzzle discipline)
- Shooting while moving
- Transitions from rifle to handgun
- Malfunction drills
- Long range shooting
- Qualification course of fire

# Less Lethal Training

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- All Officers carry Less Lethal options including an expandable baton and Taser CEW
- Sergeants are trained in additional Less Lethal options including 12 gauge Less Lethal Shotgun that fires a beanbag round and the PepperBall OC launcher that fires rounds similar to paintballs that are filled with a PAVA powder irritant.
- All Officers and Sergeants requalify with Less Lethal weapons annually.

# Taser X26P CEW

- The Taser brand X26P is a Conducted Electrical Weapon that produces an electrical charge that can momentarily incapacitate a subject.
- Less Lethal option that allows Officers to control violent or resisting suspects.

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- All Officers are trained in Active Shooter Response and retrain annually.
- Officers are trained in the ALERRT Active Shooter Level 1 tactics.
- Officers are trained in an immediate response to active shooter or active violence events utilizing team movements and tactics to effectively stop the threat and then treat and evacuate possible victims.
- We utilize scenario based and force-on-force training in every Active Shooter drill and training we perform.
- We have been able to partner with the surrounding jurisdictions of Tuckahoe PD and Eastchester PD to perform multi-jurisdictional Active Shooter training inside the various schools in the Town.

- Sgt DeYoung is a certified Instructor of Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events.
- The Department makes this training available free of charge to any business, school, organization or house of worship in the community.
- The training covers proper responses by civilians to Active Shooter or violent events.
- To date we have trained Churches and schools within the community.
- Anyone interested in hosting a CRASE course contact Sgt DeYoung at <u>sgt14@vobpd.com</u>

# Defensive Tactics and De-Escalation

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#### Defensive Tactics

- All officers are initially trained in defensive tactics in recruit training (Police Academy).
- All Officers are retrained annually at In-Service training conducted by the Westchester County Department of Public Safety.
- Bronxville Police Department is in the process of certifying a member of the Training Staff as a Defensive Tactics Instructor.

# Use of Force Training

- It is the policy of the Bronxville Police Department that sworn members shall utilize only the level of force required to accomplish the performance of their official duties in accordance with Article 35 of the New York Penal Law, Department Policy, and the current training standards of this Department. It is the responsibility of each sworn member to be aware of the requirements of Article 35 and to guide his/her actions based upon the Penal Law and these Rules, Regulations and Procedures.
- All Officers train annually in Department Use of Force policy and standards.
- Copy of Bronxville Police Department Policy 106-1, Use of Force included in Binders.

#### Use of Force Statistics

Year	Blotters	Use of Force Reports	Percentage of Force Reports
2010	2680	2	0.07%
2011	2947	3	0.10%
2012	2868	2	0.07%
2013	2606	7	0.27%
2014	2565	2	0.08%
2015	2957	0	0.00%
2016	2835	2	0.07%
2017	3200	10	0.31%
2018	2852	8	0.28%
2019	3375	1	0.03%
2020	1894	5	0.26%

#### Use of Force Statistics

- There hasn't been a single Use of Force Complaint during the stated 2010-2020 time frame.
- All incidents of Use of Force were found to be within Department Policy.

# De-Escalation Training

- De-Escalation training is currently covered during annual Less Lethal and Taser training.
- The Bronxville Police Department is sending 2 members of the Training Staff to De-Escalation Instructor training in November.
- We will adjust our training program after that training.

# **Specialized Training**

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# First Aid Training

- All officers are trained in basic 1<sup>st</sup> Aid
- This training includes CPR and use of an Automated External Defibrillators, which are carried in every Police Vehicle.
- All Officers carry Naloxon with them on Patrol. Naloxon is a drug administered to anyone experiencing an opioid overdose. The Naloxon counteracts the effects of the overdose.
- All Officers carry basic life saving equipment on their Duty Belt. This includes hemostatic gauze, rubber gloves and tourniquets.

### Emergency Response Unit

- 3 Officers are certified by the National Tactical Officers Association as SWAT Officers.
- Serve on multi-jurisdictional Emergency Response Unit comprised of Bronxville PD, Tuckahoe PD, Eastchester PD and Pelham PD. The team received certification from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services after meeting and exceeding all accreditation standards.
- ERU Officers are trained in high risk warrant service, Less Lethal and chemical agents, barricaded suspect resolution, hostage rescue, active shooter response, team leadership, tubular assaults, shield entry and movement, structure clearing and tactical medical care.
- ERU Officers are required to complete an additional 96 hours of Tactical Training annually.

#### Special Operations Bicycle Unit

- 8 Officers have completed a week long Police Mountain Bike Patrol Course and serve as Bike Patrol Officers.
- Use of a bike officer promotes positive public relations, deters crime and addresses quality of life offenses.

#### Juvenile Training

- The Department has 12 Officers certified as Juvenile Officers with New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services. These Juvenile Officers are specially trained in laws and procedures of juvenile custody, laws relating to juveniles and applicable case law, juvenile diversion programs, investigative techniques, interview and interrogation techniques, interviewing the child victim/witness, child abuse investigations, substance abuse, missing persons overview, signs of suicide and current trends in juvenile crime.
- These Juvenile Officers complete follow-up investigations and outreach and serve as a resource when dealing with cases and incidents involving juveniles.

# Specialized Training

- 9 Officers are trained and certified with New York State DCJS as General Topics Instructors. Those Officers are certified to instruct on various topics.
- 1 Officer is trained and certified with the National Tactical Officers Association as a Less Lethal Weapons Instructor.
- 3 Officers are trained and certified with New York State DCJS as Firearms Instructors.
- 2 Officers are trained and certified with New York DCJS as Patrol Rifle Instructors.
- 3 Officers are trained and certified with the National Tactical Officers Association as SWAT Officers.
- 2 Officers are trained and certified with New York State DCJS as School Resource Officers.

# Specialized Training

- 7 Officers are trained and certified with New York State DCJS as Criminal Investigators
- 5 Officers are trained and certified with New York State DCJS as Crime Scene Photographers
- 2 Officers are trained and certified with New York State DCJS as Level 2 Latent Fingerprint Identifiers
- 4 Officers have been through the FBI LEEDA Supervisor Leadership Institute

# In-Service Training

- Annual Department In-Service training covers important legal updates that may have occurred during the year.
- Officers attend 24 hours of additional training hosted by the Westchester County Department of Public Safety.
- Copy of Westchester County Police Academy curriculum included in binder.
- Youtube link for Academy Training topics: https://youtu.be/w1ZjxFWPVIE