

LONG BEACH HARBOR PATROL PATROL TRAINING OVERVIEW



FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND OVERVIEW

The Field Training Program developed by the Long Beach Harbor Patrol is intended to facilitate a recruit officer's transition from new hire, or through promotion from the SSO II - NC position, to the performance of the specialized Port field patrol duties of a Harbor Patrol Officer in the SSO III job classification. Newly assigned SSO III Officers must receive structured training in the field where they can learn from Field Training Officers who have a great deal of general and advanced patrol experience.

The Field Training Program introduces a newly assigned SSO III Officer to the personnel, field procedures, policies of the Security Division and Port, along with the specialized Port Security mission of the Long Beach Harbor Patrol. This comprehensive field training program provides the initial formal and informal training specific to the Security Division, the Long Beach Harbor Patrol and the Port Police Division, so they develop a strong understanding of their day-to-day duties and responsibilities.

It is the responsibility of the FTO to thoroughly review the field training guide materials with the officer in training and to demonstrate proper patrol procedures. These training demonstrations occur within scenario-based training incidents, actual field incidents, and during debriefing sessions in the aftermath of a significant field situation. Patrol trainees are required to perform various enforcement, security and public safety duties under the direct supervision of their assigned FTO. The Harbor Patrol and Port Police Division Training Supervisors are also closely involving in monitoring and mentoring the patrol trainees with the FTO.

The patrol trainee's performance is evaluated daily by the FTO and monitored by the Field LBHP Training Sergeant through daily reviews that are documented on a Daily Observation Report (DOR). This one-on-one style of training, coupled with the fact that the FTOs and Training Supervisors must guide the training in real enforcement and public safety situations, sets it apart from any prior academic endeavor.

Field patrol training has a significant impact on the individual trainee in terms of imprinting attitudes, discipline, style, values, and ethics in carrying out the duties of enforcement and public safety that will remain throughout a career. The Field Training Program introduces officers to the necessary technical and officer safety skills, while remaining a true reflection of the policing philosophy of the Security Division and the Port community that it serves.

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The Security Division Field Training Staff has the monumental responsibility of building the future of the Long Beach Harbor Patrol through the people they train. To assure success in this task, the Field Training Program must have a training philosophy that ensures that every trainee is given the maximum opportunity to show that he or she can do the job.

To accomplish this, the program will create a positive environment in which learning is maximized and in which trainees are able to perform to the best of their ability. The approach will be fair, firm, friendly, and above all, professional. The example set will be beyond reproach. Evaluations of a trainee's performance will be sincere and given in a straightforward manner emphasizing the positive as well as the negative aspects of performance. At no time will trainees be demeaned or ridiculed. Every effort will be made to ensure that the stress felt by the trainee is caused by the job and not from the words or actions of the field trainers.

The Security Division Manager of Security Operations has the ability to take the necessary action in the case of an underperforming trainee, to recommend an extension of the patrol training program, initiating a Performance Improvement Plan to address specific areas of mandated training, or the dismissal of an officer in training, who has demonstrated he/she cannot achieve the minimum level of performance to standards or officer safety expectations. To do otherwise would be a disservice to the Security Division, the Long Beach Harbor Patrol, the Port Police Division Officers, the Port community we serve, and to the patrol trainee.

To accomplish the delivery of a dynamic and highly structured field training program for newly assigned Harbor Patrol Officers, it requires supreme dedication and patience of the FTO, the training supervisors, the management team and the patrol trainee. The overarching goal of the field training program, is to develop and maintain a cadre of highly trained SSO III patrol officers who are strong contributors to accomplishing our continuing homeland security mission for the Port of Long Beach.

Long Beach Harbor Patrol Field Training Schedule

Week One: Program Overview and Critical Policy Review

- Orientation
- Mission and Function of the LBHP
- Locations and Addresses
- Beat assignments and locations
- Overview of the Long Beach Police Department
- Overview of the Terminal Security and Private Security in the Port
- Overview of Port employees, labor, contractors and vendors
- Introduction to Patrol in the Long Beach Harbor District
- Uniform and Duty Belt
- Firearms
- Basic patrol vehicle operation/shift pre-inspection
- Vehicle Refueling Safety
- Radio traffic, codes and usage
- In-Car Video/Audio Use
- Officer Safety protocols/considerations
- Use of Force Policy and legal considerations
- Deadly Force/Shooting Policy
- Use of Less Lethal Force
- Use of Taser
- Officer Involved Shooting
- Arrest and Control Techniques
- Control Tactics
- Contact and Cover
- Detentions, Arrests and Suspect Searches
- Vehicle Violations (moving)
- Disturbance Calls
- High-Risk (Felony) contacts
- Foot Pursuits (Policy and safety issues)
- Required Reports
- Officer Behavior/Conduct
- Important Port locations

Week Two: Handling Persons, Interviews, Booking, Evidence & Traffic Control

- Handling Female Suspects/Searches
- Mentally III Suspects
- Handicapped Suspects
- Pedestrian contacts
- Field Interviews
- Booking procedure

- Chain of Custody Evidence
- Evidence Booking Procedure
- Emergency Action Team
- Traffic Control Assignments
- Vehicle Checks/Inquiries
- Traffic/Parking Citations
- Voiding a Citation
- 72-hour Red Tag Procedure
- Traffic Collisions
- Damage to Port Property/Reports
- Public Intoxication
- Hazmat Incidents
- Patrol vehicle accountability
- Security Division Administrative Files
- Reference Materials
- Payroll/Personnel Issues
- Investigations of Misconduct
- Progressive Discipline
- Port Locks / Access to Port Facilities
- Squad room, locker room, and the IAO Building
- Review of Harbor Department and Division forms
- Report writing
- Computer Systems

Week Three: Crimes in Progress, Search/Seizure, Applicable Laws/Codes/Regulations

- Robbery
- Burglary
- Building and facility checks
- SWAT
- Search and seizure
- Criminal Law
- Laws of Arrest, and Policy
- Pertinent Penal Code Sections
- Pertinent Vehicle Code Sections
- Pertinent Long Beach Municipal Ordinances
- Pertinent Port Tariff Sections (Tariff Items)
- Port Traffic Operations and Parking

Week Four: Utilization of Resources and Court Affairs

- Police Department Resources
- Outside Agency Resources
- Emergency Call Out
- Port Emergency Notification Drills

- Coordination
- Court Affairs
- Testing/Retraining on learning domains from three prior weeks

Week Five: Major Incidents

- Crime Scene and OIS
- Fire, Fuel Spill, or Hazardous Materials
- Traffic Accident / Incidents
- On-view crimes in progress outside of the Harbor District
- Natural Disasters (floods, earthquakes, etc.)
- Windshield Surveys

Week Six Emergencies at the JCCC/IAO

- Active Shooter in building
- Crimes within the building
- Protests on/near building property
- Emergency Evacuation Procedures
- Responses to the IAO Building from the Harbor District

Week Seven: Port Specific Knowledge

- Overview of various Pier venues
- Past Port issues, problems, concerns
- Commercial Dive Team Operations/Capabilities
- JCCC/MCC
- Coast Guard Operational Overview/Tour
- Police Department Headquarters and facilities
- City resources
- Outside Agencies
- Drone incidents/enforcement
- Maintenance Service Requests

Week Eight: Port Specific Knowledge

- Overview of various port venues
- Past Port issues, problems, security concerns
- Commercial Dive Team Operations/Capabilities
- JCCC/MCC
- Coast Guard Operational Overview/Tour
- Testing/Retraining on learning domains from Weeks 5, 6 and 7

Month Three: Skills Assessment

- Testing/Retraining on significant learning domains from weeks 1-7
- Skills Assessment at calls-for-service and scenario based training incidents
- Review of Reports and Patrol Logs
- Assessment of Radio Traffic
- Assessment of Self-Initiated Activity

Fourth Month: Shadow

- Introduction
- Preparation techniques
- Vehicle contact factors
- Pedestrian stops
- Crimes in Progress (Review)
- Field Interviews
- Shooting Policy Review
- Officer Involved Shooting
- Use of Force Review
- Less-Lethal Use of Force
- Use of a Taser
- Foot Pursuit Review (Policy and officer safety)
- Tactical coordination and communication review
- Assessment of Radio Traffic
- Assessment of Self-Initiated Activity
- Assessment of response to calls-for-service
- Assessment of Officer Safety Skills
- Assessment of Traffic Control Skills
- Assessment of Reports/Patrol Logs
- Assessment of Compliance with established policies