## Continuum of Arrest

The list of officer responses is not intended to be in any specific order, but reflects on the amount of resistance encountered. The officer will choose the necessary response to gain control of the situation based on departmental policy, his/her physical capabilities, perception, training, and experience.

### Individual’s Actions
- Weapons used against officer
- Attempting to disarm officer
- Life-threatening weaponless assaults
- Striking or kicking officer
- Wrestling with officer
- Pushing officer
- Pulling away from officer
- Refusing to move—dead weight
- Not responding to commands
- Verbal or physical danger cues

### Officer’s Responses
- Deadly force
- Baton techniques
- Lateral vascular neck restraint
- Striking, punching, kicking
- Aerosols or electrical devices
- Baton restraints
- Striking muscle groups
- Take downs, joint manipulations or pressure points
- Balance displacement
- Escort position
- Assistance from other officers
- Verbal or physical commands
- Officer presence

### Special Circumstances
1. Closeness of a weapon
2. Injury or exhaustion
3. Being on the ground
4. Distance from the subject
5. Special knowledge
6. Availability of other options

### Officer-Subject Factors
1. Age
2. Sex
3. Size
4. Skill level
5. Multiple subjects/officers
6. Relative strength

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