

206 Control Devices and Techniques

206.5.2 VERBAL WARNINGS

A verbal announcement of the intended use of the kinetic energy projectile ~~should~~shall precede its application unless it would otherwise endanger the safety of officers or when it is not practicable due to the circumstances.

- (a) The purpose of the warning is for the following:
 1. Provide the individual with a reasonable opportunity to voluntarily comply.
 2. Provide other officers and individuals with warning that a kinetic energy weapon may be deployed.
- (b) The fact that a verbal and/or other warning was given, or the reasons it was not given, shall be documented in any related reports, as well as any responses by the subject.
- (c) When the less lethal kinetic energy projectile is deployed on scene, the officer carrying the weapon shall announce over the air as soon as practicable that the less lethal shotgun/40mm weapon was deployed and be acknowledged by the dispatcher.
- (d) When given, the verbal warning should be "IMPACTING" to prevent any confusion as to which weapon system is being deployed.