




# MEMORANDUM

**Date:** June 8, 2020  
**To:** All Sworn Personnel  
**From:** Robert Avels, Chief of Police   
**Subject:** *Department Directive 20-01 / Suspension of Policy 300.3.4*

The Governor of California has ordered that all POST training courses which include any instruction in the use of any form of a carotid control restraint be discontinued and that portion of instruction be decertified and removed. A bill was also introduced to the state legislature, and if passed, would eliminate the ability for California law enforcement to use the "Carotid Restraint Control Hold."

The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) is the governing body that certifies education and training amongst law enforcement, throughout the state. POST is complying with the Governor's order as is the Regional Training Center for the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department.

Effective immediately, the use and/or training of the carotid control hold by members of the Montclair Police Department is suspended pending POST review and legislation.

