

WEBER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE		POLICY AND PROCEDURES	
SUBJECT: Medical Aid after Use of Lethal and Less-Lethal Weapons		CHAPTER/SECTION NO.: 1.31,1.32	
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STANDARD NUMBER: 1.3.5			

1.31 Policy

- 1.31.1 The Weber County Sheriff's Office will obtain expedient medical aid for any person who has had any type of force used against him/her if:
- A. The person appears or claims to be injured.
 - B. The Deputy feels that medical attention would be to the benefit of the person, Deputy, or Sheriff's Office.

1.32 Procedure

- 1.32.1 Whenever any force, whether lethal, less lethal or simple physical force is used against someone, the deputy must make a medical assessment as soon as possible, using the following criteria:
- A. If there is no apparent injury or request by the subject for medical attention, that information should be noted in the *Use of Force* report.
 - B. If an injury occurs or is suspected, or the subject complains of injury, the deputy should contact dispatch to immediately summon medical assistance and the deputy's supervisor to the scene.
 - C. If necessary, the deputy will provide first aid treatment consistent with his/her training until relieved by another provider

of equal or higher medical ability.

- D. The deputy's supervisor and the on scene medical providers shall make any decision regarding on scene care and where to take the subject if additional care is needed.

1.32.2 If a person has been controlled by the use of an OC based product, the Deputy will, if necessary and/or if the person is cooperative:

- A. Flush the person's face and other affected areas with water. **NO person will be forcibly decontaminated.**
- B. Expose the person to fresh air.
- C. Have medical personnel respond and offer first aid.
- D. If necessary, transport to medical facility for treatment.
- E. Book the person into jail or take other appropriate action.