

Civilian Use of Force Model

Cooperative

Perception:
Compliance &
Conformity

Passive Resister

Perception: No
compliance with
no muscle
movement.

Neuromuscular
control; relating to, or
affecting nerves and
muscles only, either
by hand or control
instruments.

Active Resister

Perception: No
compliance with
muscle
movement.

The appropriate
techniques involve
stunning, to disrupt
the central nervous
system, usually
through open-
handed techniques,
and electronic
incapacitation or
chemicals

Non-Lethal Assailant

Perception:
Physical harm or
Unprovoked
attack without
weapons.

Directing defender body
parts or other objects
against the assailant's
body structure to
disrupt the assailant's
ability to use their body
effectively as a weapon.
Mode: strikes, stuns and
impact weapons.

Lethal Assailant

Perception:
Great bodily
harm or death.

Ask Yourself:
Am I A Reluctant
Participant?
Can I Reasonably
Retreat?

All techniques below this line are legal against the perceived column behavior. All Techniques to the left of each perceived column behavior are legal, but may not be effective.

Professional
Presence,
Verbal Direction

Escort Hold, Pressure
Sensitive Areas,
Wrist & Joint Locks,
Control Instruments

High, Mid and Low
Level Stunning,
Running Active
Resister, Takedown,
Turning Arm Bar
Throw, Pepper Spray,
Control Instruments

Defensive Releases,
Checking, Elbow Strikes,
Brachial Stun, Knee
Strikes, Forward Collar
Throw, Pepper Spray,
Handgun Disarming,
Handgun Defense, Knife
Defense, Electronic
Incapacitation Devices

Firearms and all
other Lethal Force