

DEPARTMENT BULLETIN

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Tactical Medical Pouches

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Through an Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant, the Department received individual tactical medical pouches for 1500 officers. The Department has also obtained two additional pieces of medical equipment to place inside the small nylon pouch: one C-A-T tourniquet and one package of HALO chest seals containing two seals. The nylon pouch can also accommodate the SWAT (stretch-wrap-and-tuck) -T Tourniquets along with other related items, including Nitrile gloves, hand wipes, and Quik-Clot combat gauze.

The Department has issued nylon pouches to 1500 sworn members containing the above listed items to be carried during their assignment. Members should use this equipment to control massive bleeding (hemorrhage control) and reduce blood loss of victims seriously injured in shootings, stabbings, collisions, or other serious events. The C-A-T tourniquet and the SWAT-T can be self-applied by the injured party.

Similar to items in the Serious Injury Trauma Kit, the contents of the nylon tactical medical pouch are not designed for use as a first aid kit for everyday injuries; they should be used only for the most serious injuries. These pouches are designed to be carried daily by officers and include the ability to be attached to the duty belt.

The HALO chest seals, C-A-T tourniquet and the Quik-Clot combat gauze have been demonstrated at CPT, and YouTube links to in-depth manufacturers' instruction videos are listed below. Officers should become familiar with the application of each item in the pouch before deploying with them. Hands on training on the Tactical Medical Pouches can be provided at the First Aid AO/CPT class if needed.

Members shall notify the Facilities Coordinator when the contents of the pouch have been used. The Facilities Coordinator shall provide the member with a new pouch. The pouches, as well as contents, are available through supplies.

Halo Chest Seal Application http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZcKpOI 3KR0

C-A-T Tourniquet Application http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LDN03FgUhxU

Quik-Clot Combat Gauze Application https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WLbkcz18EB0&feature=youtu.be

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