Personal Protective Equipment

505.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE
The Yolo County Probation Department endeavors to protect employees by supplying certain PPE to employees as provided in this policy.

This policy identifies the different types of personal protective equipment (PPE) provided by the Department as well as the requirements and guidelines for the use of PPE.

This policy does not address ballistic vests or protection from communicable disease, which are covered by the Body Armor and Communicable Diseases policies.

505.1.1 DEFINITIONS
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Equipment that protects a person from serious workplace injuries or illnesses resulting from contact with chemical, radiological, physical, electrical, mechanical or other workplace hazards.

505.2 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES
Employees are required to use PPE as provided in this policy and pursuant to their training.

Employees are responsible for proper maintenance and storage of issued PPE. PPE should be stored in an appropriate location so that it is available when needed.

Any employee who identifies hazards in the workplace is encouraged to use the procedures in the Illness and Injury Prevention Policy to recommend new or improved PPE or additional needs for PPE.

505.3 HEARING PROTECTION
Approved hearing protection shall be used by officers during firearms training.

Hearing protection shall meet or exceed the requirements provided in 8 CCR 5098.

505.4 EYE PROTECTION
Approved eye protection, shall be used by officers during firearms training. Officers shall ensure their eye protection does not interfere with the fit of their hearing protection.

The Rangemaster shall ensure eye protection meets or exceeds the requirements provided in 8 CCR 3382.

505.5 HEAD AND BODY PROTECTION
Officers who may encounter riots or riot type atmospheres (in or out of custody) or who conduct high-risk cell extractions should be provided ballistic head protection with an attachable face shield.
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Padded body protection consisting of chest, arm, leg and groin protection should be provided as required by the Department or any collective bargaining agreement.