# San Jose Police Department

# **Street Racing Enforcement and Illegal Emission Modifications**

# -Expanded Course Outline-

## I. Registration

- A. SJPD Administrative record keeping
- B. POST administrative record keeping

# II. DragNet Program History

- A. Office of Traffic Safety Grant
  - 1. Accidents related to racing
  - 2. Funding of program
  - 3. Successes and failures
- B. Education aspects of Dragnet program
  - 1. Class educational goals
  - 2. DragNet spreading throughout the area
  - 3. Handouts
  - 4. Copyrights
- C. Enforcement aspects of Dragnet program
  - 1. Operations
  - 2. Multi agency collaborations
  - 3. 24/7 emission enforcement

## **III.** Principles of Traffic Law

- A. Recognize basic Vehicle Code requirements related to vehicle body modifications
  - 1. Fins
  - 2. Air dams
  - 3. Fenders
- B. Recognize legal vehicle modifications
  - 1. Tachometer
  - 2. Seats
  - 3. Seatbelts
  - 4. Stickers
- C. Recognize violations related to vehicle exhaust systems
  - 1. Exhaust tips
  - 2. Baffles
  - 3. Decibels
  - 4. Excessive or unusual noise

- D. Recognize violations related to vehicle modifications
  - 1. Lights
  - 2. Window tinting
  - 3. Vehicle height
  - 4. View obstructions
- E. Recognize violations related to illegal emissions
  - 1. 27156b California Vehicle Code (CVC)
  - 2. Stock motors
  - 3. Show racers
  - 4. Serious racers
  - 5. Common modifications
    - a. Open air elements
    - b. Headers
    - c. Colored tubing
    - d. Camshaft gears
    - e. Fuel pressure regulator
    - f. Other associated modifications
- F. Recognize legal modifications accompanied by a Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) sticker (Referee Label)
  - 1. Location
  - 2. Type of sticker
  - 3. Description of what is to be on the sticker
- G. Executive Order numbers
  - 1. Character layout
  - 2. California Air Resources Board (CARB) items
- H. Computers
  - 1. Placement
  - 2. Capabilities
  - 3. Air/Fuel ratios
- I. Turbochargers
  - 1. Additional air intake
  - 2. Intercoolers
  - 3. Turbocharger units
  - 4. Blow off valve

## **IV.** Identification of Engine Components

- A. Altering or Tampering with vehicle parts
  - 1. 10751 California Vehicle Code
  - 2. Character pattern
  - 3. Tampering methods
  - 4. Removals
- B. Prosecution
  - 1. Statements
  - 2. Paper records
  - 3. Prior criminal history
- C. Stolen vehicles and parts
  - 1. Missing parts
  - 2. Vehicle damage
  - 3. Be specific
  - 4. Evidence collection
  - 5. Witnesses

# V. Inspection and Search Differences

- A. Probable Cause for the enforcement stop
  - 1. Vehicle code violations
  - 2. Racer related modifications
  - 3. Driver interview
- B. 2804 CVC vs. 2806 CVC
  - 1. California Highway Patrol
  - 2. Municipal Law Enforcement
  - 3. Sheriff agencies
  - 4. Tone of voice during contact
- C. Inspections
  - 1. Safe locations
  - 2. Consistent and methodical
  - 3. Documentation
  - 4. Photos or video
- D. 2800 CVC Failing to comply with a lawful order
  - 1. Department guidelines
  - 2. Hood releases
  - 3. Inspection vs. Search

## VI. Prosecution of Illegal Emissions Violations

- A. Correctable violations
  - 1. Department policy
  - 2. Application of emission violation sticker
  - 3. Explanation of procedure
- B. Registered owner issues
  - 1. Identify owner of suspect vehicle
  - 2. Ownership change requirements
  - 3. 40001 CVC responsibility of owner to repair
- C. Court preparation
  - 1. Special training
  - 2. Personal experience
  - 3. DragNet course
  - 4. Citation review
  - 5. Body camera footage review

## VII. Vehicle Violations Related to Street Racing and Sideshows

- A. Speed contest
  - 1. 23019 CVC
  - 2. Associated sections
  - 3. Spectators
- B. Reckless Driving
  - 1. 23103 CVC
  - 2. Associated sections
  - 3. Side shows
  - 4. Off street violations
- C. Impound authority
  - 1. 23109.2a CVC
  - 2. Qualifying sections
  - 3. 30 day vs. one day impounds
- D. Court preparation
  - 1. Photos
  - 2. Diagrams
  - 3. Training
  - 4. Experience
  - 5. Videos
- E. Documentation and Testimony
  - 1. Times
  - 2. Locations
  - 3. Aiders or abettors to speed contest
  - 4. Distances

- 5. Speeds
- 6. Tire traction
- 7. Engine noise
- 8. Crowds
- 9. Shifting engines

#### F. Driver interview

- 1. Spontaneous driver statements
- 2. Passenger statements
- 3. Participation level
- 4. Car ownership
- 5. Owner awareness
- 6. Prior driving history

# **VIII. Street Racing Trends**

- A. CVC modifications
  - 1. Lighting
  - 2. Exhaust pipes
  - 3. Headlight height

# B. Demographics

- 1. Male vs. Female
- 2. Gangs
- 3. Ages
- 4. Weapons
- 5. Alcohol and drugs

# C. Motorcycles

- 1. Groupings
- 2. Lookouts
- 3. License plate positioning
- 4. Equipment

## D. Current locations

- 1. Jurisdictional awareness
- 2. Local racer hangouts
- 3. Repair shops

# E. Communication

- 1. Social media
- 2. Hand held radios
- 3. Cellular service
- 4. Scanners

# **IX.** Vehicle Inspection Exercise

- A. BAR provided cars
  - 1. CVC violations
  - 2. Reasonable suspicion indicators
  - 3. Exhaust systems
- B. Handout review
  - 1. Legal modifications
  - 2. Illegal modifications
  - 3. Record keeping
- C. Search style
  - 1. Methodical
  - 2. Officer safety
  - 3. Nighttime stops

# X. Review of Course

- A. Jeopardy Game
- B. Questions

# **XI.** Course Completion

- A. Evaluations
- B. Certificates
- C. POST Roster