



# CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON

*University Police*

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## **SPECIAL ORDER No. 18-004**

**Date:** August 30, 2018

**To:** All Personnel

**From:** Raymund Aguirre, Chief of Police

**Subject:** Discontinue Field Presumptive Testing for all Controlled Substances

Effective immediately, field presumptive testing for all suspected controlled substances will be discontinued until further notice, due to the recent incidents with officers and the dangerous synthetic opiate, Fentanyl, and reported health related complications during field testing.

Fentanyl can be mixed with other substances, altering its appearance, and can be found in pill, liquid, tar, patch, and other forms. Fentanyl can be easily absorbed through the skin or eyes or inhaled through the nose or mouth. Be sure all patrol vehicles are stocked with personal protection equipment: gloves, eye protection, and masks, and don each. Double bag (prior to transporting) all narcotics and other unknown substances, then heat seal the bags and place evidence tape on it to alert our evidence technician. If we are low or out of any of the above, please contact Vanessa Castaneda immediately to reorder.

For report writing: specifically describe the controlled substance seized including the locations, packaging, odor, etc. Document all evidence you considered in forming your opinion including, but not limited to, the presence of specific paraphernalia, writings, observations/statements of the suspect, evidence of recent use, etc. Describe your background, training, and experience, specifically related to the identification and use of controlled substances, including the specific substance seized.

The filing Deputy District Attorney will have the option to wait for the forensic analysis before filing the case, at which time they will request for it to be tested at an appropriate lab.

In the meantime, we will be looking to update our current policy using best current practices and local approaches to this issue.



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