



Objective Reasonable Test

Section 25 CC...Acts on **reasonable** grounds...in using as much force as is **necessary**...

Officer Factors

- Age, Size, Gender
- Number of Officers
- Training, Experience, Fitness
- Exhaustion, Injuries
- Prior Knowledge of the Subject
- Distance from Subject
- Position

Subject Factors

- Age, Size, Gender
- Number of Subjects
- Training, Experience, Fitness
- Exhaustion, Injuries
- Goal Oriented
- Nature & Severity of Crime
- History
- Mental State

Environmental Factors

- Alcohol, Drugs
- Verbal, Non-Verbal Threat Cues
- Weapons, Proximity to Weapons
- Fleeing, Risk of Escape
- Immediate / Imminent Threat to Police, Public, Themselves
- Audience, Peers

- Location (Confined Space, Isolation)
- Cover
- Weather
- Lighting
- Footing
- Other Exigent Circumstances

The Test

Given the totality of the circumstances, the following factors will be considered by the court:

- (a) Was the officer lawfully placed?
- (b) Did the officer subjectively believe that the amount of force used was reasonable?
- (c) Would an objective reasonable person (standing in the officers' shoes) believe that the level of force used was reasonable?

Reasonable Officer Response

