

<u>Use of Force Option</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Firearm Displayed	6	3 times
Firearm Discharged	6	13 times (destroying injured animals)
Taser	5	2 times
OC Spray	5	3 times
Baton	0	0 time
Police Service Dog	1	0 time
Open Hand Techniques Where Medical Treatment Required	2	1 time

In each of the 22 incidents requiring a Use of Force Report, with the exception of destroying injured animals, the officers were dealing with actively resistant offenders or in circumstances that justified measures to protect their safety or the safety of members of the public.

You will notice that the numbers are down in all categories except where firearms were discharged to destroy an animal for humane reasons or protection of the public. In the majority of these cases in 2011, the animal being destroyed was a racoon. I am aware through conversations with an enforcement officer with the Ministry of Natural Resources that there was a lot of distemper in the racoon population in the spring of 2011 which likely was the main reason for the spike in our use of force numbers relating to destroying animals in this area this year.

Considering the fact that our officers responded to 15,654 dispatched calls for police assistance from members of the public right across our jurisdiction and dealt with a wide variety of actively resistant / occasionally dangerous offenders, these statistics are well within acceptable margins.

Sincerely



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