

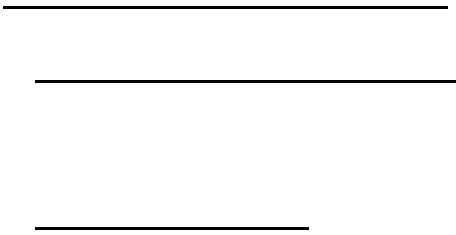
### **3FF: USE OF FORCE**

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**In very rare circumstances, in an effort to prevent serious injury, officers may decide to intervene physically in an attempt to stop certain behavior that may cause injury to the person or another. In those circumstances the officer's actions must be guided by this policy and Penal Law Article 35. Examples of circumstances when an officer may choose to intervene physically might include: in defense of themselves, when a person is harming themselves, or when a person engaged in a serious assault of another (physical or sexual). Except for defending one self, Officers must request a law enforcement response PRIOR to intervening physically in any circumstance.**







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**Article 35.05**

