

# Greene County Sheriff's Office

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>USE OF CHOKEHOLD OR SIMILAR RESTRAINT</b>	<b>Policy</b>	<b>184</b>
<b>Effective:</b>	<b>JUNE 16, 2020</b>	<b>Standard Number(s):</b>	
<b>Rescinded:</b>	<b>Amended:</b>	<b>SHERIFF PETER KUSMINSKY</b>	
<b>Reviewed:</b>			

**POLICY:**

GCSO members will not obstruct the airway of any individual.

I. Procedure

A. Section 1.20 of the CPL, Aggravated Strangulation, applies to Police Officers who obstruct the breathing or blood circulation of an individual.

B. Personnel will not use a chokehold or similar restraint or place a knee on any individual's neck for any amount of time as this action may lead to serious injury or death of said person.

C. Any GCSO member that violates this policy may be charged with a Class C Felony and subject to discipline as set forth in the GCSO Policy & Procedure.