B. Procedure

1. Patrol vehicles equipped with push bars are used to clear vehicles from intersections or traveled portions of a roadway when their presence obstructs the normal movement of traffic.

2. Disabled vehicles are only moved the shortest possible distance to clear the roadway.

3. Police agents examine the physical condition of each vehicle to be moved, noting any damage present. After moving a vehicle, police agents again examine it for evidence of damage.

4. Drivers of disabled vehicles shall be instructed as to where the vehicle will be pushed and not to make sudden stops or sharp turns.

5. All the emergency lights of a patrol vehicle shall be activated during the time it is being utilized to push another vehicle.

6. Police agents who cause property damage while pushing a vehicle shall immediately notify a sworn supervisor. The sworn supervisor shall respond to the scene.

7. All damage resulting from the use of push bars to move another vehicle shall be photographed.

8. Police agents who cause property damage while pushing a vehicle shall document the occurrence on an incident report, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Patrol Division commander via the chain of command.

C. Rule

1. When pushing another vehicle, the speed of the patrol vehicle shall not exceed 10 miles an hour.

2. Patrol vehicles shall not be used to:
   a. Move vehicles, which have been damaged in an accident and would not normally be towed or pushed without special equipment, i.e., towing dolly.
   b. Move vehicles that would be further damaged if pushed.
   c. Push-start stalled vehicles.