

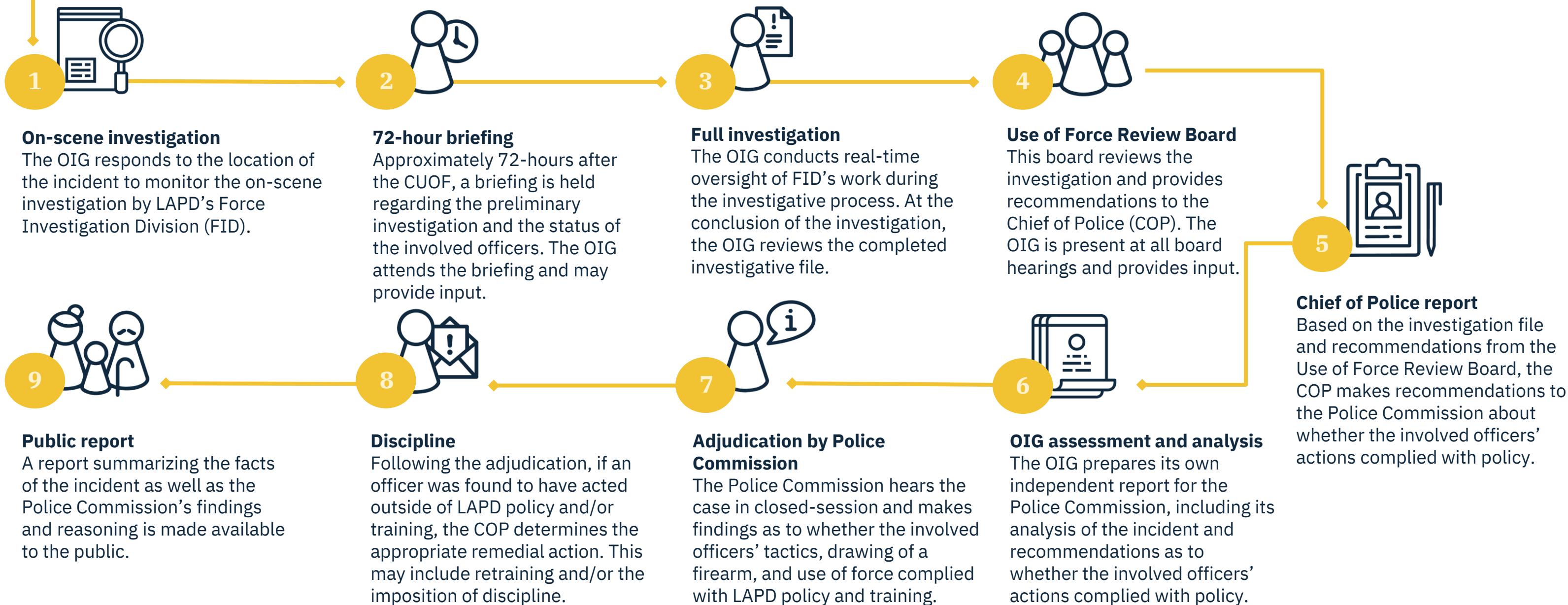
When a Categorical Use of Force occurs, the LAPD and the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) take the following steps:

What constitutes a Categorical Use of Force (CUOF)?

Any incident involving the use of deadly force by an officer, as well as any incident in which a person is admitted to a hospital as the result of a use of force or dies while in police custody.

What qualifies as deadly force?

Deadly force is any use of force that creates a substantial risk of death or serious bodily injury. This includes officer-involved shootings, head-strikes with an impact weapon, and neck restraints.



Categorical Uses of Force | Roles & Responsibilities

Multiple stakeholders are responsible for the investigation into, and oversight of, all Categorical Uses of Force by officers of the Los Angeles Police Department

The **Board of Police Commissioners** is the head of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD or Department), setting policies for the Department and overseeing its operations. It is comprised of 5 civilian volunteers, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, who serve a maximum of 2 five-year terms.

The **Chief of Police (COP)** is the general manager of the LAPD and is responsible for the planning, administration, and day-to-day operation of the Department. The COP is appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Police Commissioners and the City Council. COPs are eligible to serve a maximum of 2 five-year terms.

The **Office of the Inspector General (OIG)** is an independent entity responsible for monitoring, auditing, and investigating the Department. The Inspector General reports directly to the Board of Police Commissioners and is not in the chain-of-command of the COP. Among other duties, the OIG oversees the LAPD's investigations into Categorical Uses of Force by officers.

The mission of the Office of the Inspector General is to: 1) provide strong, independent, and effective oversight of the LAPD; 2) ensure that all LAPD employees act with honesty, dignity, and respect toward the public; and 3) conduct community outreach to educate the public about the OIG, the Board of Police Commissioners, and the LAPD.