



# Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

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## **A Legislative/Regulatory Requirements**

Section 29 of the Adequacy Standards Regulation requires a police services board to have policies with respect to counter-terrorism and criminal intelligence.

Section 28 of the Adequacy Standards Regulation requires every Chief of Police to establish procedures that are consistent with any federal or provincial counter-terrorism plan designated by the Minister of Public Safety and Security.

Section 5(1) (b) of the Adequacy Standards Regulation requires a police service to have a criminal intelligence capacity.

Section 5(4) of the regulation allows a police service to deliver criminal intelligence by contracting with another police service, or entering into arrangements to provide this service on a combined, regional or cooperative basis.

In addition, section 13(1) (c) requires the Chief of Police to establish procedures and processes with respect to criminal intelligence.

The Provincial Counter-Terrorism Plan provides definitions for terrorism and related acts as contained in federal legislation:

The *Canadian Security Intelligence Service Act* defines “threats to the security of

Canada”;

The *Criminal Code of Canada* defines an “internationally protected person”;

The *Anti-Terrorism Act* provides definitions of “terrorist activity” and “terrorist group” and refers to a number of terrorism-specific criminal offences;

The *Security Offences Act* addresses police jurisdiction with respect to an offence under any law of Canada that constitutes a threat to the security of Canada and/or in which the victim of the offence is an “internationally protected person”.

## **B Board Policy**

1. It is the policy of the Sarnia Police Services Board with respect to terrorism mitigation that the Chief of Police will:
  - (a) Develop and maintain procedures that are consistent with the most recent version of the Ministry of Public Safety and Security’s *Provincial Counter-Terrorism Plan*;
  - (b) Establish priorities and procedures for terrorism mitigation that address the collection, collation, analysis, evaluation and dissemination of intelligence or any other threat information;
  - (c) Ensure the ongoing identification, evaluation and assessment of potential targets with the goal of reducing the risk of a terrorist incident or minimizing its impact;
  - (d) Establish policies and procedures with respect to the conduct of multi-jurisdictional investigations, intelligence programs and equipment;
  - (e) Work in partnership with other first responders to develop and implement community awareness strategies using strategic public education and communication tools.