



# Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

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## **A** Legislative/Regulatory Requirements

Section 29 of the Adequacy and Effectiveness of Police Services Regulation requires a Police Services Board to have a policy on investigations into child pornography.

Section 12(1)(b) of the Adequacy and Effectiveness of Police Services Regulation requires the Chief of Police to develop and maintain procedures on and processes for undertaking and managing investigations into child pornography.

## **B** Board Policy

1. It is the policy of the Sarnia Police Services Board with respect to child pornography (Internet Child Exploitation) investigations that the Chief of Police will:
  - (a) Develop and maintain procedures that require that investigations be undertaken in accordance with the police service's criminal investigation management plan;
  - (b) Notify the Provincial Strategy to Protect Children from Sexual Abuse and Exploitation on the Internet (Provincial Strategy) in all cases of suspected child pornography (Internet child exploitation); and
  - (c) Ensure support is provided to manage the psychological well-being of members to acknowledge risks associated with long-term effects from exposure to Internet

child exploitation investigation-related activities.