



Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

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A Legislative/Regulatory Requirements

Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1, provides that a Board shall provide adequate and effective policing in the area for which it has policing responsibility as required by **Section 10** and **11 (1)** of the **CSPA**.

Subsection 38 (2) of the **CSPA** provides that a Police Service Board may establish policies respecting matters related to the Police Service or the provision of policing.

O. Reg. 392/23: Adequacy and Effective Policing (General) prescribes standards for adequacy and effectiveness of police services.

Sections 37 and **38** of the **CSPA** require the Chief of Police to develop and maintain procedures and processes for undertaking and managing investigations into fraud and false pretences.

B Policy Statement

1. The Sarnia Police Service Board recognizes that matters of fraud and false pretences are serious in nature, and it is therefore the policy of this Board that investigations into such matters be conducted professionally and thoroughly, and in accordance with procedures established by the Chief

C Board Policy

1. It is the policy of the Sarnia Police Services Board with respect to fraud and false pretences investigations that the Chief of Police shall:
 - (a) Develop and maintain written procedures that require that investigations be undertaken and managed in accordance with the Service's Criminal Investigation Management Plan;
 - (b) Ensure that the Service's response to fraud and false pretence occurrences are monitored and evaluated;
 - (c) Work, where possible, with local social assistance officials and the Crown, to develop a local protocol on the investigation of social assistance fraud;
 - (d) Ensure that the protocol referred to above is reviewed on an annual basis; and
 - (e) Ensure that members investigating complex fraud and false pretences occurrences have the knowledge, skills and abilities required.

2. The Chief shall make a written report to the Board on or before August 30th of each year in respect of investigations of fraud and false pretences. The report shall include:
 - (a) A summary of the written procedures concerning fraud and false pretence investigations;
 - (b) The status of Service compliance with the said procedures; and
 - (c) A summary of the steps taken by the Service to monitor and evaluate response to fraud and false pretence investigations.