



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.

Subsection 1 (1) of the **CSPA** provides that policing shall be provided throughout Ontario in accordance with the principle of the need to ensure the safety and security of all persons and property in Ontario, including on First Nations reserves.

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** to require the Chief of Police to develop and maintain procedures on and processes for undertaking and managing investigations into homicides and attempted homicides.

O. Reg. 394/23: Major Case Management and Approved Software Requirements prescribes requirements for investigation of Major Cases, including homicides.

B Policy Statement

1. The Sarnia Police Service Board recognizes that matters of homicide are very 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 of Police.

C Board Policy

1. It is the policy of the Sarnia Police Services Board with respect to investigations into homicides and attempted homicides that the Chief of Police shall:
 - (a) Develop and maintain procedures for undertaking and managing investigations into homicides and attempted homicides that are in compliance with the Ministry's designated Ontario Major Case Management Manual, **O. Reg. 394/23: Major Case Management and Approved Software Requirements** and the reporting requirements of **Section 18 of O. Reg. 395/23: Investigations**;
 - (b) Ensure that members investigating homicides or attempted homicides have the requisite knowledge, skills and abilities.
2. The Chief shall make a written report to the Board on or before August 30th of each year. The report shall include:
 - (a) A summary of the written procedures concerning homicide and attempted homicide investigations;
 - (b) Confirmation that the procedures are in compliance with the Ministry's designated Ontario Major Case Management Manual and **O. Reg. 394/23: Major Case Management and Approved Software Requirements**;
 - (c) The status of Service compliance with the procedures; and
 - (d) A summary of training given to members regarding homicide and attempted homicide investigations.

