

Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

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A <u>Legislative/Regulatory Requirements</u>

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 39 (1) of the *CSPA* requires the Board's Strategic Plan include quantitative and qualitative performance objectives and indicators of outcomes relating to property offences.

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

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

B Policy Statement

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 The Sarnia Police Service Board recognizes that property offences are serious in nature, and it is therefore the policy of this Board that investigations into property offences 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 property offences, including break and enter, that the Chief of Police shall:
 - (a) Develop and maintain procedures that require that investigations be undertaken and managed in accordance with the police service's criminal investigation management plan; and
 - Identify the need for the implementation of crime prevention initiatives for property crime based on crime, call and public disorder analysis, criminal intelligence and community needs;
 - (c) Shall ensure that members investigating property offence occurrences 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 in respect of investigations into property offences. The report shall include:
 - (a) A summary of the written procedures concerning property offence investigations;
 - (b) The status of Service compliance with the said procedures; and
 - (c) A summary of crime prevention initiatives for property crime.