



Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

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A Legislative/Regulatory Requirements

The Use of Force Regulation, as amended, under the *Police Services Act*, sets out the requirements in relation to the use of acoustic hailing devices including the need for independent testing, for training, and to develop standard operating procedures.

The requirements of the Equipment and Use of Force Regulation in relation to the use of acoustic hailing devices do not replace an employer's obligations under the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* to provide information, instruction and supervision to a worker to protect the health or safety of the worker.

B Board Policy

1. It is the policy of the Sarnia Police Services Board with respect to long-range acoustic hailing devices that:
 - (a) Acoustic hailing devices will only be used in accordance with procedures that set out the supervisory, operating, reporting and training requirements for their deployment; and
 - (b) Police Service procedures regarding the use of acoustic hailing devices are based on recommendations about the devices per section 16(1)(c) of the Equipment and Use of Force Regulation.