



Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

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A Legislative/Regulatory Requirements

Section 21 of the Adequacy Standards Regulation requires a Police Service to provide within a reasonable response time access to the services of one or more Major Incident Commanders.

Additionally, Section 21 of the regulation permits a police service to deliver the services of Major Incident Command by contracting with another Police Service, or entering into arrangements to provide this service on a combined, regional or cooperative basis.

Section 24(2) requires the Chief of Police to ensure that no person is to be a major incident commander unless that person has successfully completed the required Ministry accredited training or acquired the Ministry approved equivalent competencies. Section 29 requires a Police Service Board to have a policy in respect of required accredited training and equivalent competencies for Major Incident Commanders.

Furthermore, Section 29 requires a Board to have a policy concerning the deployment of Major Incident Commanders. Also, Section 25(2)(a) requires the Chief of Police to establish procedures that set out the circumstances in which Major Incident Commanders will be deployed.

Finally, Section 29 requires a Board to have a policy requiring that all Major Incident Commanders have access to a procedure manual. Section 25(3) requires the Chief of Police to ensure that the police service's procedures for major incident command are contained in a manual that is available to each member providing that service.

B Board Policy

1. It is the policy of the City of Sarnia Police Service Board with respect to Major Incident Command services that:
 - (a) The Sarnia Police will provide the services of a Major Incident Commander and when required, enter into agreement with OPP West Region to provide combined service delivery;
 - (b) The services will be available twenty-four (24) hours a day and within a reasonable response time; and
 - (c) The Chief of Police will:
 - (i) Develop procedures that address the circumstances in which a Major Incident Commander is to be deployed;
 - (ii) Develop and maintain a manual on Major Incident Command that is available to each member providing this service;
 - (iii) Establish a selection process for members who provide this service, including ensuring that members who provide this service meet the requirements of the Adequacy Standards Regulation;
 - (iv) Ensure the ongoing training of members who provide this service; and
 - (v) Ensure that appropriate equipment, in accordance with the Ministry's designated equipment and facilities list, is used/available to members who provide this service.