

Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

	Issue Number:
	SPS-BP-LE-008
Subject:	Effective Date:
Hate Propaganda	September 14, 2023
Replaces: SPS-BP-LE-007	Distribution: All Members
Last Reviewed: August 2023	Expiration Date: Indefinite
Approved By: Board Chair	Signature: Paul Williama

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

Section 29 of the Adequacy Standards Regulation requires a Police Service Board to have a policy on investigations into hate propaganda.

In addition, section 12(1)(h) requires the Chief of Police to develop and maintain procedures on and processes for undertaking and managing investigations into hate propaganda.

B Board Policy

- 1. It is the policy of the Sarnia Police Service Board with respect to undertaking and managing investigations into hate propaganda that the Chief of Police will:
 - (a) Ensure that community organizations, school boards, victims' organizations, social services agencies, and the media are informed about the police service's procedures for investigating hate propaganda occurrences;
 - (b) Ensure that the police service works, where possible, with community organizations, school boards, victims' organizations, and social service agencies to respond to hate propaganda occurrences and to counter the activities of organized hate groups in the community;

LE-008

- (c) Develop and maintain procedures that require that investigations into hate propaganda be undertaken and managed in accordance with the police service's criminal investigation management plan; and
- (d) If the police service has a dedicated unit to investigate hate/bias motivated crime, assign that unit the responsibility to investigate hate propaganda occurrences.