



Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

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A Legislative/Regulatory Requirements

Section 29 of the Police Adequacy Standards Regulation requires a Police Service Board to have a policy on search of persons. In addition, section 13(1)(h) requires the Chief of Police to establish procedures and processes in respect of the search of persons.

B Board Policy

1. It is the policy of the Sarnia Police Service Board with respect to the search of persons that the Chief of Police will:
 - (a) Establish procedures that address:
 - (i) The compliance by members of the police service with the legal, constitutional and case law requirements relating to when and how searches of persons are to be undertaken;
 - (ii) The circumstances in which an officer may undertake a search of person;
 - (iii) Frisk/field searches;
 - (iv) Strip/complete searches;

- (v) Body cavity searches;
 - (vi) Consent searches;
 - (vii) The supervision of searches of persons; and
 - (viii) The documentation of searches of persons; and
- (b) Ensure that officers and other members as appropriate are kept informed of changes in the law relating to the search of persons.