



Sarnia Police Services Board Policy

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A Legislative/Regulatory Requirements

Section 3(1) of *Christopher's Law (Sex Offender Registry)*, 2000 requires a sex offender, as defined in the Act, to report in person to the police service in the area in which the offender resides or at another designated place where the police service provides services.

Section 3(2) requires the offender to provide satisfactory proof of identity and address upon presenting him or herself to the police service. Additionally, section 3(3) requires each police service to designate a place(s) within the police service's jurisdiction, where police services are provided, where offenders may present themselves and allows for the designation of the days and times when offenders may present themselves.

Furthermore, under section 4, each police service is required to submit offender information, upon satisfaction that the information provided by the offender is correct, to the Ministry of the Solicitor General (Ministry) for inclusion in the Sex Offender Registry. Section 9(2) also requires a police service, upon being presented with satisfactory proof of a pardon, to advise the Ministry.

Section 6 requires a police service to disclose to the offender a copy of the information about the offender that is contained in the Sex Offender Registry, upon receiving a written request from the offender and being satisfied of proof of identity. If as a result of the disclosure, any corrections are required to the offender record, then the police service

shall submit the corrected information to the Ministry.
Section 10 requires a police service to have access to the Sex Offender Registry at all times and to collect, retain and use information obtained from the Registry for any purpose under this Act, under subsection 41(1.1) of the *Police Services Act* or for crime prevention or law enforcement purposes. In addition, a police service may share information contained in the Registry with other police services.

B Board Policy

1. It is the policy of the Sarnia Police Services Board with respect to the Sex Offender Registry that the Chief of Police will:
 - (a) Designate and maintain a registration site(s);
 - (b) Establish procedures and processes consistent with the requirements of ***Christopher's Law (Sex Offender Registry), 2000***; and
 - (c) Ensure that appropriate members receive training on the Sex Offender Registry, consistent with the role and responsibilities assigned to them.