



JOINT FORCES OPERATIONS LE-009

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Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Regional Municipality of Peel Police Services Board that the requirements set out in this document shall form part of the Board Policies and the Chief of Police is hereby directed to comply with these requirements in his/her administration and operation of the Peel Regional Police.

1. Subject

The guiding principles under which the Chief of Police is to establish procedures and processes relating to joint forces operations.

2. Definitions

“joint force operation”

Means a planned operation, supported by a written agreement, involving two or more police service how have common objectives related to the investigation of multi-jurisdictional criminal activity. *(This is not meant to include situations where one police service requests assistance from another police service with a n investigation into an individual or specific criminal occurrence(s))*

3. Policy Requirements

It is the policy of the Board with respect to joint forces operations the Chief of Police shall:

- (a) Ensure complete compliance with legislative and constitutional requirements, and recognized legal principles;
- (b) Ensure members act with full respect for human dignity and according to professional standards of skill, integrity and accountability;
- (c) Maintain both officer and public safety as a priority;
- (d) Ensure that the resources required for joint forces operations are within budgetary requirements;
- (e) Develop procedures that address the approval process and accountability mechanisms for joint forces operations; and
- (f) Regularly review procedures on joint forces operations to remain current with case law, inquests, inquiry findings and amendments to related legislation.

4. Measurement Methods/Systems

The Chief of Police shall regularly review all documentation received from the Criminal Intelligence Service of Ontario (C.I.S.O.) for the purposes of determining investigation of criminal activity by joint forces operations.

5. Reporting

On an annual basis, the Chief of Police shall provide the Board with an In Camera report providing the following information:

- a. Number of completed joint forces operations that Peel Regional Police participated in;
- b. Cost of the joint force operations to the Peel Regional Police; and
- c. Achievement of their performance objectives.

As part of a separate Annual Report on Adequacy Regulation, the Chief of Police shall report on compliance with this section of the policy.

The Chief of Police shall also report on those circumstances where investigation of criminal activity by joint forces operations has resulted an “exceptional” circumstance, or a circumstance which may be detrimental to the police service; and/or has significant issues of potential liability to the Board and the police service.

6. Authority/Legislative Reference

Ontario Regulation 03/99, Section 13(1)(b) and 29
Board Minute #191/00
Board Minute #75/13
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7. Linkage to Appropriate Police Service Procedure/Directive

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