



Brantford Police Services Board

Policy #24-12 Adequate and Effective Policing

Description

It is the policy of the Brantford Police Services Board that in compliance with the Community Safety and Policing Act as it relates to providing adequate and effective policing that,

Adequate and effective policing

1. All of the following functions shall be provided in accordance with the standards set out in the regulations, including the standards with respect to the avoidance of conflicts of interest, and with the requirements of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Human Rights Code:
 - a) Crime prevention.
 - b) Law enforcement.
 - c) Maintaining the public peace.
 - d) Emergency response.
 - e) Assistance to victims of crime.
 - f) Any other prescribed policing functions.
2. The chief of police shall create, implement and maintain programs to address the functions listed in 1a) to 1(f) above.

Does not include certain functions

3. Adequate and effective policing does not include,
 - a) the enforcement of municipal, other than prescribed by-laws; and
 - b) providing court security in accordance with Part XV of the Act.

Exceeding standards

4. For greater certainty, the police service board may provide policing or other services that exceed the standards for adequate and effective policing, including providing enforcement of by-laws.

Generally applicable standard as defined in O. Reg 392/23

5. When evaluating the adequacy and effectiveness of the police service, the Board and the Chief shall use this definition as the general applicable standard.

A policing function shall be provided to an extent and in a manner that is reasonable, having regard to the following factors:

1. The policing needs of the community.
2. The geographic and socio-demographic characteristics of the police services' area of policing responsibility.
3. The extent to and manner in which the policing function is effectively provided in similar communities in Ontario.
4. The extent to which past provision of the policing function by the police service has been effective in addressing the policing needs of the community.
5. Best practices respecting the policing function.

Legislative Reference

Board Policy / Community Safety & Policing Act, 2019, O. Reg. 392/23

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