



ILLEGAL GAMING LE-032

Effective Date: 2000/09/15
Reviewed: 2014/05/20
Amended: 2025/03/14

Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Regional Municipality of Peel Police Service 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 investigations into illegal gaming.

2. Policy Requirements

It is the policy of the Board with respect to the undertaking and managing of investigations into illegal gaming the Chief of Police shall:

- (a) Ensure complete compliance with legislative and constitutional requirements, and recognized legal principles;
- (b) Ensure that 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 members involved in the investigations into illegal gaming have the knowledge, skills and abilities required to perform this function;
- (e) Develop and maintain procedures with respect to how investigations are undertaken and managed;
- (f) Regularly review procedures on investigations into illegal gaming to remain current with case law, inquests, inquiry findings, and amendments to related legislation; and
- (g) Maintain relationships with appropriate external agencies (including the *Ontario Illegal Gaming Enforcement Unit*) for the purpose of exchanging up-to-date information on illegal gaming.

3. Measurement Methods/Systems

The Chief of Police shall conduct ongoing statistical analysis, qualitative and quantitative review of all investigations of illegal gaming to:

- (a) Ensure the integrity of investigative practices and procedures; and
- (b) Identify emerging trends.

4. Reporting

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 an exception basis. This applies to those circumstances where an investigation into illegal gaming has resulted in an “exceptional” circumstance, or a circumstance which may be considered detrimental to the police service; and/or has significant issues of potential liability to the Board and the police service.

5. Authority/Legislative Reference

Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, ss. 38(1)(g) and 38(2)

O. Reg. 395/23: Investigations, s. 24

Board Minute #191/00

Board Minute # 44 /14

6. Linkage to Appropriate Police Service Procedure/Directive

I-B-703(F) Major Drug and Vice Offences