



BAIL AND VIOLENT CRIME LE-023

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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 bail and violent crime.

2. Policy Requirements

It is the policy of the Board that with respect to bail and violent crime 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) Establish procedures on bail and violent crime that address:
 - i) Assessing opposing bail on the secondary grounds;
 - ii) Preparing the show cause report (bail hearing brief);
 - iii) Post-bail hearing notifications;
 - iv) Breach of bail conditions; and
- (e) Regularly review procedures on bail and violent crime to remain current with case law, inquests, inquiry findings, and amendments to related legislation.

3. Measurement Methods/Systems

The Chief of Police shall regularly review bail and violent crime procedures as may be required to ensure compliance with Board policy and legislative requirements.

4. Reporting

The Chief of Police shall report on an exception basis. This applies to those circumstances where related to bail and violent crime has resulted in 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/or the police service.

As part of the Annual Statistical Report of the police service, the Chief of Police shall report on the number of bail hearings.

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

5. Authority/Legislative Reference

Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, ss. 38(1)(g) and 38(2)
O. Reg. 392/23: Adequate and Effective Policing (General), ss. 6(1) 4. xii. and 24
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6. Linkage to Appropriate Police Service Procedure/Directive

I-B-503(F) Release Procedures –Provincial Offences Act 2009
I-B-505(F) Persons Failing to Report Recognizance or Undertaking
I-B-710(F) Victim and Witness Assistance
I-B-504(F) Ontario Court of Justice Procedure
I-B-512(F) Breach of Conditional Sentence
I-B-713(F) Domestic/Family Disputes