



BELLEVILLE POLICE SERVICE

BOARD POLICY

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ER-001 Preliminary Perimeter Control
and Containment

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1. Board Policy:

- a) This policing function shall be provided to an extent and in a manner that is reasonable, having regard to the following factors:
 - I. The policing needs of the community;
 - II. The geographic and socio-demographic characteristics of the Police Service's area of policing responsibility;
 - III. The extent to and manner in which the policing function is effectively provided in similar communities in Ontario;
 - IV. 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; and
 - V. Best practices respecting the policing function.
- b) The Belleville Police Service Board (the Board) recognizes that issues relating to preliminary perimeter control and containment form an important part of policing, and it is therefore the Policy of this Board that such matters be conducted professionally and thoroughly, and in accordance with procedures established by

the Chief of Police as directed in this Policy and *Ontario Regulation 392/23 - Adequate and Effective Policing (General) – Emergency Response*;

- c) The Board will ensure that a valid agreement is in place, in compliance with *section 14* of the *Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA)* to have another Board or the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) provide Containment Support.
- d) The Chief of Police shall ensure that initial preliminary perimeter control and containment will be provided by Front-line Patrol Officers, and that all subsequent perimeter containment will be provided by the Emergency Response Unit (ERU), comprised of Police Service Members and/or support from other agencies, in compliance with any agreements in place, pursuant to *section 14* of the *Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA)* or the Chief of Police or designate may request temporary assistance in providing adequate and effective policing from another Police Service pursuant to *section 19* of the *CSPA – Request for Temporary Assistance*;
- e) If the Chief of Police or designate makes a request for temporary assistance under *section 19* of the *CSPA*, the Chief of Police shall provide notice of the request as soon as possible to,
 - I. The Inspector General; and
 - II. The Board.
- f) Further, the Chief of Police shall collaborate with other Police Agencies related to an extreme incident response in accordance with *Ontario Regulation 398/23 - Alternative Provision of Policing Functions* made under the *CSPA*; and
- g) Pursuant to *section 9(1)(5)* of *Ontario Regulation 392/23 - Adequate and Effective Policing (General)* the Chief of Police shall ensure that Police Officers who are not Members of a Tactical Unit and who are deployed in a containment function, including Members of a Containment Team, shall not, prior to the arrival of the ERU, employ offensive tactics unless the Officers believe, on reasonable grounds, that to do so is necessary to protect against the loss of life or serious bodily harm.

2. The Chief of Police shall:

- a) Establish and maintain procedures on providing preliminary perimeter control and containment in accordance with *subsection 10(1)3* of *Ontario Regulation 392/23 - Adequate and Effective Policing (General) – Emergency Response*, that address:

- I. The circumstances in which preliminary perimeter control and containment will be deployed;
- II. Operational responsibility for an incident where preliminary perimeter control and containment is being established in accordance with *subsection 10(1)3 of Ontario Regulation 392/23 - Adequate and Effective Policing (General) – Emergency Response*;
- III. The deployment of other emergency response services, including receiving assistance from other agencies;
- IV. The duties of an Officer involved in the establishment of preliminary perimeter control and containment, pending the deployment of ERU, unless the Police Officers believe, on reasonable grounds, that it is necessary to employ offensive tactics to protect against loss of life or serious bodily harm;
- V. The training of Officers in preliminary perimeter control and containment;
- VI. Develop and maintain a manual, respecting preliminary perimeter control and containment, that addresses the subsequent perimeter control and containment services provided by the ERU. This manual will be made available to each Member who provides preliminary perimeter control and containment service, and to the ERU Members who provide subsequent perimeter control and containment services;
- VII. Ensure that the manual is reviewed on an annual basis and amended as required;
- VIII. The selection process for Members of the Team, including ensuring that Members who provide this service have the requisite knowledge, skills and abilities and receive training on an ongoing basis; and
- IX. Ensure the appropriate equipment, in accordance with the Ministry's designated equipment and facilities list, is used/available to Members who provide preliminary perimeter control and containment services - *Schedule 1 of Ontario Regulation 392/23 - Adequate and Effective Policing (General)*.

3. Report to the Board:

The Chief of Police shall make a written report to the Board on or before August 30 of each year in respect to preliminary perimeter control and containment. The report shall include:

- a) Summary of the procedures relating to preliminary perimeter control and containment as required by this Policy;
- b) The status of Police Service's compliance with the said procedures;
- c) Confirmation of the development and maintenance of the Manual addressing perimeter control and containment provided by the ERU;
- d) Confirmation that Members have been trained in accordance with Section 4 (below); and
- e) If the Chief of Police or designate makes a request for Containment Support pursuant to a *section 14* Agreement under the *CSPA*, the Chief of Police shall report to the Board providing sufficient information to allow the Board to understand the details of the event.

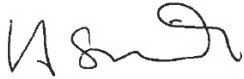
4. Training:

The Chief of Police shall ensure:

- a) That no person is a Member of ERU or provides perimeter control and containment unless the person has successfully received the required Ministry accredited training;
- b) Pursuant to *Ontario Regulation 87/24 - Training*, Police Officers who perform community patrol functions and who may be required to respond to an incident involving an active attacker shall successfully complete the course entitled "Carbine Operator", delivered by the College or by a Certified Trainer;
- c) In the case of a Police Officer who was appointed before the transition date (April 1, 2026), no later than the second anniversary of the transition date;
- d) In the case of a Police Officer who is appointed as a Police Officer on or after the transition date, within 12 months after the appointment;
- e) Every Police Officer shall, within 12 months after successfully completing the training required in Section 4 (a) (above) and within every subsequent 12 months, successfully complete the course entitled "Carbine Operator Requalification", delivered by the College or by a Certified Trainer in respect of the course;
- f) The Chief of Police will authorize the use of specialized weapons and will ensure carrying and use of patrol rifles is permitted for only Members who have received

the prescribed training. Annual training will be conducted by qualified Officers authorized to use the specialized weapons; and

- g) The Chief of Police will ensure that Members of this Police Service receive training in techniques on perimeter control.



Chair

August 10, 2026

Date