



BELLEVILLE POLICE SERVICE

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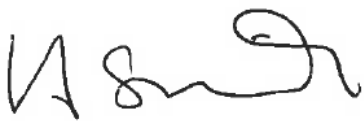
LE-012 Search of Persons

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Pursuant to *Ontario Regulation 392/23 - Adequate and Effective Policing (General)* it is the policy of the Belleville Police Service Board with respect to the search of persons that the Chief of Police will:

1. Establish and maintain written procedures that address:
 - a) The compliance by Members of the Police Service with the legal, constitutional, and case law requirements relating to when and how searches of persons are to be undertaken;
 - b) The circumstances in which an Officer may undertake a search of person;
 - c) Charter of Rights and Freedoms;
 - d) Frisk/field searches;
 - e) Strip/complete searches;
 - f) Body cavity searches;
 - g) Strip searches of Transgender or Inter-sexed persons;
 - h) Consent searches;
 - i) Cultural considerations in searches of persons;

- j) The supervision – Officer-in-Charge – responsibilities of searches of persons; and
 - k) The documentation of searches of persons.
2. Ensure that Officers and other Members as appropriate are kept informed of changes in the law relating to the search of persons; and
3. Annual Reporting – The Chief of Police shall obtain strip search data and report to the Board on the following information:
- a) Number of strip searches conducted each year;
 - b) Race, if known, of the arrestees;
 - c) Gender, if known, of the arrestees;
 - d) Age of arrestees;
 - e) Number of times force was used;
 - f) Number of times items were found during strip search, and
 - g) Analysis of trends and concerns, if any.



August 10, 2026

Chair

Date