

**POLICY NO. ER-005  
CRISIS NEGOTIATION**

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**1.0 Preamble**

1.1 WHEREAS subsection 31(1) of the **Police Services Act** provides that a Board is responsible for the provision of Police Services and for Law Enforcement and Crime Prevention in the Municipality and shall:

- 1.1.1 Generally determine after consultation with the Chief of Police, objectives and priorities with respect to the Police Service in the Municipality;
- 1.1.2 Establish priorities for the effective management of the Police Service, and
- 1.1.3 Direct the Chief of Police and monitor their performance.

1.2 AND whereas **O. Reg. 3/99** prescribes standards for adequacy and effectiveness of Police Services.

**2.0 Definitions**

2.1 **Board** – shall mean the Barrie Police Services Board.

2.2 **BPS** – the acronym for the Barrie Police Service.

2.3 **Chief** – shall mean the Chief of Police.

**3.0 Policy**

3.1 It is the policy of the Board with respect to Crisis Negotiation Services, that the Chief will:

- 3.1.1 Ensure that the BPS provides the services by using BPS Crisis Negotiators.

- 3.1.2 Ensure that the services are available 24 hours a day and within a reasonable response time.
- 3.1.3 Ensure that a Crisis Negotiator will not perform any incident management role other than Crisis Negotiation during an occurrence.
- 3.1.4 Develop procedures that address the circumstances in which a Crisis Negotiator is to be deployed.
- 3.1.5 Develop and maintain a Crisis Negotiator Manual that is available to each BPS Crisis Negotiator.
- 3.1.6 Establish a selection process for BPS Crisis Negotiators, including ensuring that the BPS Crisis Negotiators meet the requirements of the ***Adequacy Standards Regulation***.
- 3.1.7 Ensure the ongoing training of BPS Crisis Negotiators, and
- 3.1.8 Ensure that appropriate equipment, in accordance with the Ministry's Designated Equipment and Facilities List, is used and available to BPS Crisis Negotiators.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

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Board Chair

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Board Administrator