

**POLICY NO. ER-007  
GROUND SEARCH FOR LOST  
OR MISSING PERSONS**

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**Related BPS Procedures**

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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 Ground Search for Lost or Missing Persons, that the Chief will:

- 3.1.1 Promote, through partnerships with other emergency service providers and volunteer groups, the coordination of ground search services in the jurisdiction served by BPS.
- 3.1.2 Develop procedures on Ground Search for Lost of Missing Persons, and
- 3.1.3 Ensure that Search Coordinators and Team Leaders have the knowledge, skills and abilities required to perform these functions.

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

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Board Chair

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Board Administrator