

**POLICY NO. LE-034
SEXUAL ASSAULT INVESTIGATION**

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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 Sexual Assault investigations, that the Chief will develop and maintain procedures that:

- 3.1.1 Require that investigations be undertaken in accordance with the BPS Criminal Investigation Management Plan.
- 3.1.2 Require compliance with the procedures set out in the Ministry's designated Ontario Major Case Management Manual.
- 3.1.3 Address communications and dispatch, initial response and investigations relating to Sexual Assaults, and
- 3.1.4 Address community notification.

3.2 The Chief shall:

3.2.1 Work, where possible, to ensure a coordinated and effective response to Victims of Sexual Assaults with hospitals and agencies that provide services to Victims of Sexual Assault, including:

- 3.2.1.1 Sexual Assault Treatment Centres.
- 3.2.1.2 Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis Centres.
- 3.2.1.3 Victim Services, and
- 3.2.1.4 The local Crown.

3.2.2 Address training for Officers and other appropriate Members on the response to Sexual Assault occurrences, including Victims' Assistance.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Board Chair

Board Administrator