

**POLICY NO. LE-037
SUDDEN DEATH AND
FOUND HUMAN REMAINS**

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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 Sudden or Unexplained Death investigations and investigations into Found Human Remains, that the Chief will:

- 3.1.1 Develop and maintain procedures that require that investigations into Sudden or Unexpected Deaths and Found Human Remains be considered potential Homicides and be undertaken in accordance with the BPS Criminal Investigation Management Plan.
- 3.1.2 Ensure that Officers investigating Sudden or Unexplained Death and Found Human Remains occurrences have the knowledge, skills and abilities required, and
- 3.1.3 Where an occurrence falls within the definition of a Major Case, ensure that Officers comply with the procedures set out in the Ministry's designated Ontario Major Case Management Manual.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Board Chair

Board Administrator