



SAFE STORAGE OF POLICE SERVICE FIREARMS AI-009

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Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Regional Municipality of Peel Police Services Board that the requirements set out in this document shall form part of the Board Policies and the Chief of Police is hereby directed to comply with these requirements in the administration and operation of the Peel Regional Police.

1. Policy

It is the policy of the Peel Police Services Board that with respect to the safe storage of police service firearms that the Chief of Police will:

- a) Establish procedures that are consistent with the requirements of the *Firearms Act* and the *Public Agents Firearms Regulations*;
- b) Ensure that members act with full respect for human dignity and according to professional standards of skill, integrity and accountability;
- c) Ensure both officer and public safety as a priority; and
- d) Regularly review procedures on the safe storage of issued/authorized firearms to keep current with case law, inquests, inquiry findings and amendments to related legislation.

2. Reporting

The Chief of Police shall report on an exception basis. This applies to those circumstances where the safe storage of issued/authorized firearms has resulted in an “exceptional” circumstance, or a circumstance which may be detrimental to the police service; and/or significant issues of potential liability to the Board and the police service.

3. Authority/Legislative Reference

Ontario Regulation 03/99 Section 29
Firearms Act, Section 117
Public Agents Firearms Regulation, Section 3(1)
Board Minute: #69/11
Board Minute: #18/14
Board Minute: #85/17

4. Linkage to Appropriate Police Service Procedure/Directive

I-B-301(F) Issued/Authorized Weapons