

WOODSTOCK POLICE SERVICE BOARD POLICY

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Authority/Legislative References

Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1

Ontario Regulation 392/23 Adequate and Effective Policing (General)

Policy Statement

The Woodstock Police Service Board (the "Board") is committed to ensuring effective and timely major incident command services. The Chief of Police (the "Chief") will establish clear procedures for deployment, coordination, and training to maintain operational excellence and ensure the safety and security of the community during major incidents. The purpose of this policy is to ensure the Woodstock Police Service (the "Service") has access to specialized major incident command services through formal agreements with other jurisdictions.

Policy Application

- It is the policy of the Board with respect to major incident command services that:
 - a. the Service will provide the services of a major incident commander by

using its own qualified members, where feasible;

- b. the Board will contract with any police service capable of providing the services of a major incident commander that is available 24 hours a day and within a reasonable response time;
- c. the Chief will, in consultation with the assisting police service, establish procedures that set out the circumstances, in which the service will be deployed, including the steps for obtaining the service and the reporting relationships; and
- d. the Chief shall ensure that all equipment listed under "incident commanders" in Schedule 1 – Required Equipment and Other Resources, of Ontario Regulation 392/23 Adequate and Effective Policing (General), is available to every incident commander.