



PETERBOROUGH LAKEFIELD POLICE SERVICES BOARD

AI-015 – Body Armour

1. It is the policy of the Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board with respect to equipment-body armour that:

The Chief of Police will:

- a) ensure the provision of body armour equipment that is:
 - i) constructed to provide the level of protection necessary for the performance of duty that addresses:
 - the type of weapons members are likely exposed to;
 - protection for members from their own handguns and ammunition that are in accordance with prescribed specifications;
- b) ensure the provision of body armour that is purchased from manufacturers that:
 - i) practice effective quality control for testing and labeling in accordance with current National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Standards/Requirements on Ballistic Resistance of Body Armour;
 - ii) are certified under current International Organization for Standardization-ISO 9001:2008 standards for production and manufacturing; and
 - iii) ensure that the body armour provided is listed on the NIJ Compliant Products List, including replacement panels and carriers, in accordance with current NIJ Standards/Requirements;

- c) ensure that each member uses, maintains and cares for the body armour provided in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions;
- d) ensure that a formal and documented inspection program is in place that addresses wear and tear;
- e) ensure that members receive the appropriate training on the legislative requirements of OHSA and information on use and care, as well as the benefits and limitations of body armour; and
- f) consult with designated employee representatives regarding the acquisition of body armour.

2. Administration

- 2.1 That this Policy is hereby enacted by the Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board on this 7th day of July 2009 and shall take effect on that date.

Dr. Thomas H.B. Symons, Chair
Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board

Additional References:

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