



NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE

Police Service Board Report

PUBLIC AGENDA

Subject: Annual Report – Police Uniforms January 1 to December 31, 2024
Report To: Chair and Members, Niagara Police Service Board
Report Date: 2025-03-05

Recommendation(s)

That the Niagara Police Service Board (Board) receive this report for information.

Key Facts

- The purpose of this report is to advise the Board that the Niagara Regional Police Service (Service) is in compliance with By-Law 490-2024 respecting Police Uniforms.
- To provide a written report with a summary of the written procedures concerning police uniforms.
- To provide an update on the status of Service compliance with said procedures.

Financial Considerations

There are no financial implications relating to the recommendations contained within this report.

Analysis

In accordance with By-Law 490-2024, the Chief shall make a written report to the Board on or before August 30 of each year in respect of police uniforms. The report shall include:

- a) A summary of the written procedures concerning police uniforms; and
- b) The status of Service compliance with the said procedures.

The following is a detailed response to each of the above-noted requirements:

- a) *“...a summary of the written procedures concerning police uniforms...”*

According to By-Law 490-2024, the Service has developed procedures on the provision and use of a standardized uniform that is issued to the Service’s police officers, special constables, and auxiliary members. These uniform items are consistent with the requirements of the Community Safety and Policing Act.

The Quartermaster Purchasing Coordinator (QPC) is responsible for the stocking, issuing, and recording of all issued articles of uniform clothing and equipment to applicable members. The QPC is also responsible for ensuring that all returned unserviceable items and equipment are destroyed, and that serviceable items are cleaned and reissued.

b) “...the status of service compliance with said procedures...”

For the year ending December 31, 2024, the Service was in compliance with the General Orders (GOs) outlined below.

Alternatives Reviewed

Not applicable.

Relationship to Police Service/Board Strategic Priorities

To comply with the provisions of Board By-laws and to maintain compliance with Adequate and Effective Policing requirements.

Relevant Policy Considerations

GO 012.11 – Auxiliary Police Service
GO 048.08 – Uniform and Equipment Supply
GO 049.22 – Dress Code
GO 068.07 – Body Armour
GO 206.07 – Equipment Committee
Board By-Law 490-2024 - Police Uniforms

Other Pertinent Reports

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Appendices

Not applicable.