



TRANSIT POLICE

INTERNAL RESOURCES

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POLICY

Definitions

Chief Officer – The Transit Police Chief Officer or delegate.

Police Act – The BC *Police Act*, RSBC 1996, c. 367, and the regulations thereto, including the Transit Police Operations Regulation, all as amended from time to time.

Police Board – The South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board.

SCBCTA – The South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority commonly referred to as “TransLink”.

Transit Police – The South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service.

Transit Police Personnel – Sworn police officers and civilians who work for the Transit Police.

TSML – The TransLink Security Management Limited, a subsidiary of the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority and legal entity/employer for the Transit Police.

Authority

1. The Transit Police is a Designated Policing Unit in British Columbia established pursuant to s. 4.1 of the *Police Act* upon application made by the SCBCTA. Pursuant to the application approval, the Transit Police is a part of the TSML and all Transit Police Personnel are employees of the TSML. The Transit Police is governed by the Police Board.

General

2. TSML, and by extension, the Transit Police, are part of the SCBCTA. Accordingly, the Transit Police will utilize, where appropriate, SCBCTA’s internal and external resources and departments for the provision of certain services and functions to the Transit Police, in accordance with the direction of the TSML and the SCBCTA and their respective policies.

3. The Transit Police will not establish or maintain functions provided by the TSML and/or the SCBCTA, or contract for services available through them, except as approved by the TSML, or as permitted by the TSML and/or the SCBCTA policies and procedures, or as provided for in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Transit Police, Police Board and TSML.
4. Transit Police use of such SCBCTA resources and departments is subject to the Transit Police safety and security requirements being fulfilled, and any other special conditions so determined by the Police Board as part of its governance function.

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5. The services and functions available through the TSML and/or the SCBCTA may include: claims, risk management, legal, records management, finance and audit, human resources, and marketing and corporate communications.
6. Notwithstanding the availability of certain SCBCTA shared services, the Transit Police may still retain some internal functional capacity in such areas as is necessary to effectively and efficiently operate the Transit Police and/or maintain safety and security requirements, as agreed to between the Transit Police and the TSML.
7. The Chief Officer will be responsible for identifying security risks related to the Transit Police operations and personnel arising from the use of the TSML, SCBCTA and external services, and for implementing the necessary safety and security measures.

Key References

BC Police Act [RSBC 1996, Chapter 367]

Designated Policing Unit Application for the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service, August 2012

Police Board Governance Manual