



**SOUTH COAST BRITISH COLUMBIA  
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
POLICE SERVICE**

## **SECURITY TO VIPs & SECURITY RISKS**

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### **POLICY**

1. The South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service (SCBCTAPS) will develop a written plan for providing security to VIPs and security risks that will:
  1. provide for:
    - a. the designation of a single person or position as supervisor and coordinator of any given security detail,
    - b. equipment requirements, including vehicles, body armour for VIPs and security officers and weapons for officers,
    - c. the planning and reconnoitering of travel routes and alternates,
    - d. courtroom security liaison,
    - e. advance inspection of sites and facilities,
    - f. arrangements for gathering intelligence information,
    - g. the co-ordination of operations within the department and outside departments,
    - h. the identification of emergency first-aid, ambulance and medical facilities,
    - i. communications, and
    - j. identification by designation (such as lapel pins), and
  2. be administered under the authority of the Chief Officer and the responsibility of the Deputy Chief Officer.

### **REASON FOR POLICY**

2. Generally, provincial or federal police will be responsible for VIP security. The relationship and responsibilities of all parties involved needs to be clarified to act as guidance when such security is required in the SCBCTAPS jurisdiction.

### **PROCEDURES**

#### **Foreign Dignitaries/Prime Minister/Governor-General**

3. The RCMP is responsible for the personal and residential security of foreign Heads of State and dignitaries (i.e. President of U.S.) and Royalty while visiting Canada. The Prime Minister of Canada, Governor-General of Canada, Consular-Generals and Honourary Consular-Generals also fall within this category.

4. The RCMP File Coordinator/VIP Security will contact the SCBCTAPS with the itinerary of any such dignitary who visits to or travels through the jurisdiction of the SCBCTAPS.
5. The RCMP File Coordinator/VIP Security will contact the SCBCTAPS if assistance is required for traffic control, if marked police vehicles and/or uniform members are needed or any other request.

**Members of Parliament**

6. The RCMP is responsible for the personal and residential security of visiting Members of Parliament only by special request from the Member of Parliament or if threats to the Member of Parliament are identified.
7. The RCMP File Coordinator/VIP Security will contact the SCBCTAPS with the itinerary and will request assistance if required.

**Premier of BC /Lt. Governor/MLAs**

8. The Contract Policing Branch of the RCMP is responsible for the personal and residential security of the Premier, Lt. Governor, MLAs, upon special request from the government official or if threats to the government official are identified.
9. The RCMP File Coordinator/VIP Security will contact the SCBCTAPS with the itinerary and will request assistance if required.