



ADMIN-MED-19-0002

January 31, 2019

Via Email:

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I write further to your request received by the Metro Vancouver Transit Police on 2019-01-31. In that request you sought the following information:

*How frequently violent incidents involving officers being injured happen (particularly if there have been any shootings), and how often Transit Police officers have to draw or use their weapons.*

We have now had the opportunity to compile the information requested. Please find below the responsive data. For ease, we have broken each point down:

- a. Officers injured in a shooting event: This is the first time in the history of MVTP that an officer has been shot or shot at while on duty with MVTP
- b. Frequency of violent incidents involving officers being injured: In 2018 there were 38 reports of injuries sustained by members during altercations while on duty with MVTP
- c. How often Transit Police draw or use their weapons [assumption that this only relates to firearms]:
  1. The threshold for reporting use of a firearm is any time a firearm is drawn from the holster during an interaction with a subject. This includes instances where the firearm is drawn and held in the ready position but never aimed at a subject;
  2. Since 2013 there have been 78 incidents where members determined based on the totality of the circumstance that their firearm may be required and it was drawn;
  3. Since 2013 there have been two incidents where MVTP officers discharged their firearm (both of these were in 2014).

If we can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

original signed GV6082

**Legal Services Section**