

# Codiac Regional Policing Authority

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## Framework

### Police Act

Under s. 1.1(1) of the *Police Act*, the Minister of Justice and Public Safety shall (a) promote the preservation of peace, the prevention of crime, the efficiency of police services and the development of effective policing, and (b) coordinate the work and efforts of police forces and the RCMP within the Province.

Section 1.1(2) of the *Act* provides that the Minister may provide to boards, councils, police forces, a regional policing authority and the RCMP:

(i) information and advice respecting the management and operation of police forces and the RCMP in handling special problems, and

(ii) such other information as the Minister considers to be of assistance.

Finally, Section 1.1 (3) provides that subject to the *Act* and regulations, the Minister may issue guidelines and directives to any police force within the Province for the attainment of the purposes in s. 1.1(1) above.

### Governance Guidelines

In 2011, the Department of Public Safety issued the Police Governance and Oversight in New Brunswick Policy Guidelines (“Governance Guidelines”). These Guidelines apply to a regional policing authority, as well as to other models of police governance in use in New Brunswick. The Guidelines state the following regarding the authority and accountability of the Board:

“The Board is required to carry out its duties and responsibilities in accordance with the Police Act.

The Board is delegated authority and responsibility from the Province, through the Police Act, including the New Brunswick Policing Standards. That responsibility obliges the Board to ensure the delivery of policing services that adequately meet the citizens of New Brunswick and the communities being

served.

The Board is responsible to the municipality for the purpose of providing policing services to the municipality.

The Board demonstrates accountability to the public, to the Province and to other stakeholders through periodic reports, meetings, receiving presentations from key stakeholders and interested persons, and by operating in a transparent manner.”

### **Policy**

The Codiac Regional Policing Authority (CRP Authority) is required to carry out its duties and responsibility in accordance with the *Police Act*.

The CRP Authority is delegated authority and responsibility from the Province, through the Police Act, including the New Brunswick Policing Standards, and agreements. That responsibility obliges the municipalities, through the CRP Authority, to ensure adequate policing.

The CRP Authority was created by and is accountable to the municipalities for providing regional policing services to the municipalities.

The CRP Authority demonstrates accountability to the public, to the municipal funding partners, to the Province and to other stakeholders through periodic reports, meetings (except in camera portions), receiving presentations from key stakeholders and other interested persons, and by operating in a transparent manner.