

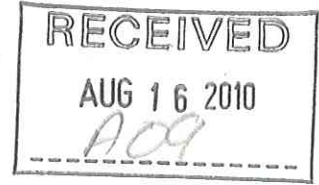
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## REPORT OF THE POLICE SERVICE

TO

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA POLICE SERVICES BOARD  
(By-Law 169-97)

Board Report Number: 184/2010  
Date of Report: 2010.08.12  
Date of Board Meeting: 2010.08.26

Chairperson Douglas Martin  
and Members of the  
Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Services Board

Reference: Report on Tactical Units (Annual Reporting Requirement)

Recommendation: Receive for Information

Background:

In accordance with By-law #242-2000, the Chief shall make a written report to the Board of each year in respect to **Tactical Units** and must include the following:



a) ***A summary of the procedures relating to Tactical Units as required by this By-law;***

The Tactical Unit role remains the responsibility of the Emergency Task Unit and the written procedures are set out in General Order 089.03 Emergency Task Unit. As required, the written procedures include:

- I. the circumstances in which a tactical unit will be deployed, including the process for obtaining the service of the tactical unit and reporting relationships.
- II. the tactical unit can undertake containment, the apprehension of an armed barricaded person, an explosive force entry under the supervision services of a Police Explosive Entry Technician.

b) ***The status of service compliance with the said procedures;***

The Niagara Regional Police Service is in compliance with this By-law. Our training is accredited by the Ministry of the Solicitor General as required under Regulation 3/99 of the Police Services Act for Adequacy and Effectiveness of Police Services.

c) ***Confirmation of the development and maintenance of the manual on Tactical Unit services; and***

The General Order along with written standard operating procedures and course training standards fulfill the obligation of a written manual that is available to each team member. Written copies of the procedures are presented to team members as they are taught and are collected in an issued binder. A central copy of updated procedures is available to all members. The Tactical Units standard operating procedures are reviewed on an ongoing basis and again been accredited by the Ministry of the Solicitor General.

d) ***A summary of the circumstances in which the tactical unit has been deployed;***

The Emergency Task Unit responded to 123 requests for its service in the reporting period. This total includes non-tactical type operations that the ETU is responsible for, such as VIP security and Search and Rescue. In addition, unit members respond to Containment or Tactical calls for service that do not require a full team response. The following is a summary of calls that meet the intent of the Provincial Adequacy Standard with regard to Tactical Units:




Cost of Recommendations: NIL

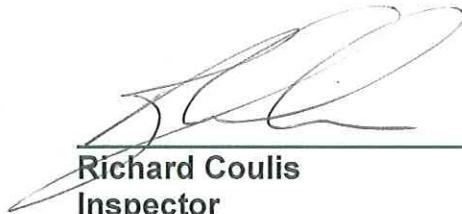
Alternative Options: Do not receive report.

Reasons for Recommendation: Compliance with By-law.

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