

HRP JURISDICTION AND OPERATIONAL AUTHORITIES

1. GENERAL

- A. This policy outlines the jurisdictional areas and authorities of the Halifax Regional Police (HRP) and its members.
- B. Each HRP police officer shall have all the power and authority of a provincial constable pursuant to Section 30(1) of the Nova Scotia Police Act within:
 - a. The limits of the HRP policing jurisdiction at all times; and
 - b. The Province while they are on duty.

2. POLICY

- C. The geographic jurisdiction of the Halifax Regional Police extends to those areas of the Halifax Regional Municipality not patrolled by RCMP Halifax District Detachment.
- D. All HRP police officers and civilian employees shall perform all duties in accordance with federal and provincial statutes, municipal by-laws, HRP and HRM administrative and operational policies and procedures, department orders and directive and Nova Scotia Department of Justice Policing Standards and directives.
- E. Everyone who is appointed a member of the Halifax Regional Police shall, before entering the service, take and subscribe to the oath as laid down in Form 1, Section 16 pursuant to the Nova Scotia Police Act.
- F. Operational command within Halifax Regional Police shall be in the following descending order of sworn ranks:
 - i. Chief of Police
 - ii. Deputy Chiefs of Police
 - iii. Superintendents
 - iv. Inspectors
 - v. Staff Sergeants
 - vi. Sergeants
 - vii. Constables
- G. Members shall act only on the direction of an Officer, NCO or senior HRP member, except within the Courts, where the instruction of the Court shall be followed. This does not affect the responsibility of members to act on their own discretion.
- H. Pursuant to Section 52 of the Nova Scotia Police Act, no member of the Board of Police Commissioners is authorized to give advice or direction to an HRP police officer.

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By Order Of:



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