

HALTON REGIONAL POLICE SERVICES BOARD

ADEQUACY STANDARDS POLICY DOCUMENT

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1. **Missing Persons (pursuant to O. Reg. 3/99 and PSM Guideline No. LE-026)**

- 1.1 It is the policy of the Board that investigations into missing persons are undertaken and managed.
- 1.2 To support this policy, the Chief of Police shall develop and maintain procedures and processes that:
 - a) set out the steps to be followed for undertaking investigations into reports of missing persons, including situations involving children, teenagers and elder and vulnerable adults;
 - b) ensure investigative follow-up on outstanding cases;
 - c) where circumstances indicate a strong possibility of foul play, require Officers to comply with the procedures set out in the Ministry's designated *Ontario Major Case Management Manual*; and
 - d) ensure an AMBER Alert activation is considered in all missing children investigations, and Major Case Management is implemented in all cases involving AMBER Alert activations.