



# St. Thomas Police Service

## BOARD POLICY

Subject:	Police Facilities
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Authorized:	Police Services Board

### AUTHORITY/LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE

- *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1*
- *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, S.O. 2005, c. 11*
- *Policy PR – 15 – Facility Usage*

### POLICY STATEMENT

The St. Thomas Police Service Board is committed to ensuring that all police facilities, including police lock-ups, meet the standards set forth by the Community Safety and Policing Act (the Act). Facilities must be adequately equipped and maintained to support operational needs, safety, and accessibility, while complying with all relevant legislation.

### POLICY APPLICATION

1. The Chief of Police shall ensure that facilities provide a safe environment for both police personnel and the public. This includes secure holding areas, appropriate surveillance systems, and measures to prevent unauthorized access.
2. Facilities must be designed and maintained to support the effective operation of police services including adequate space for administrative functions, evidence storage, and operational support.
3. Facilities must comply with accessibility standards to ensure that all individuals, including those with disabilities, have equal access to police services.
4. Facilities must be maintained to ensure a healthy environment for all users. This includes proper ventilation, sanitation, and overall cleanliness.

### REPORTING

5. The Chief shall report any significant facility issues to the Board, along with recommended actions for resolution.