



# Standard Operating Procedure

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**TAB:** CORPORATE SECURITY STAFF

**SUBJECT:** ARREST POLICY

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At times, an individual's actions or behavior may warrant an arrest by an officer. As such, officers shall be fully informed and knowledgeable regarding their legislated powers of arrest and service procedures, for conducting an arrest.

The following procedure must be adhered to by all officers:

**DEFINITION: Arrest/Detention**

- (Law) to deprive (a person) of liberty by taking him into custody, esp. under lawful authority
- The Supreme Court of Canada has stated that "detention" refers to a suspension of an individual's liberty interest by a significant physical or psychological restraint. Psychological detention is established either where the individual has a legal obligation to comply with the restrictive request or demand, or a reasonable person would conclude from the state conduct that there was no choice but to comply.

**PROCEDURE:**

- Officers shall conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times, and shall treat all arrested persons with respect.
- Officers will, regardless of the offence, identify themselves. Take physical control and state reason for the arrested. Every person will also be advised of their rights to counsel and primary caution upon arrest, when it is safe to do so.
- If Charter Rights are unable to be read to a person, as it is unsafe to do so, or there is an immediate police response, the officer shall inform the responding police and make a note in their memo book.