

## **POLICY 1.02**

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#### 1.02 PUBLIC SAFETY LIFELINE VOLUNTEER CODE OF CONDUCT

#### **1.02.1 GENERAL**

Public Safety Lifeline Volunteers (PSLV) make valuable contributions to emergency response in British Columbia. Membership in a PSLV program comes with an enhanced level of responsibility and accountability. This policy has been developed in consultation with representatives from each of the five PSL Disciplines, Tasking Agency representatives, and Local Government, in order to establish volunteer expectations through a Code of Conduct. This policy replaces policy 5.03 – Cancellation of Volunteer Membership.

#### **Related Policies:**

• <u>1.06 Personal/Commercial Conflict of Interest</u>

#### 1.02.2 DEFINITIONS

See Terms and Definitions

**Public Safety Lifeline Volunteers (PSLV):** Includes Search and Rescue, Emergency Social Services, Emergency Radio Communications, PEP Air, Road Rescue, and/or General Service volunteers who are registered with Emergency Management BC.

#### 1.02.3 POLICY STATEMENT

N/A

### 1.02.4 CONDITIONS/RESPONSIBILITIES

- (1) Volunteers registered with EMBC who do not conduct themselves according to the Public Safety Lifeline Volunteer Code of Conduct during emergency response and training task duties may have their EMBC registration revoked or suspended.
- (2) Local Authorities may enrol volunteers to assist in their emergency operations at their discretion. It must be recognized that at times some of these volunteers may perform their duties in a manner which is unsatisfactory or unbecoming, or breach the standards for conduct and as such, the Local Authority or EMBC may no longer with the services of the person as a volunteer.

#### 1.02.5 AUTHORITIES

N/A



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#### 1.02.6 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- <u>1.02 Public Safety Lifeline Volunteer Code of Conduct Procedures</u>
- 1.02 Public Safety Lifeline Volunteer Code of Conduct
- 1.02 Public Safety Lifeline Volunteer Code of Conduct FAQs