

Policy statement

Leduc County provides quality municipal services to its citizens. The Peace Officers of Leduc County are committed to serving the residents, businesses and visitors of Leduc County by providing effective municipal and provincial enforcement. They are committed to the protection of Leduc County interests and the safe transportation of people and goods.

Definitions

Bylaw means any bylaw approved by Leduc County Council.

County Council means the duly elected mayor and councillors of Leduc County.

Peace Officer means a person employed or engaged by Leduc County, which is an authorized employer, in the capacity of a community peace officer under the Peace Officer Act of Alberta, and complies with any other conditions provided for in the Peace Officer Regulations, Policy and Manual.

Policy authority

Legislative implications:

- *Alberta Peace Office Act*, Statutes of Alberta 2006, Chapter P-3.5;
- *The Peace Officer Ministerial Regulation*, AR 312/2006
- *Municipal Government Act (MGA)*, Section 556, being Chapter M-26 Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000

Bylaw implications:

- The Council of Leduc County must pass a Bylaw to specify the powers and duties of Bylaw Enforcement Officers and to establish disciplinary procedures for misuse of power, including penalties and an appeal process applicable to the misuse of power by Community Peace Officers who provide bylaw enforcement.

Policy standards

Leduc County Enforcement Services Peace Officers are governed by federal, provincial, and municipal legislation in addition to the aforementioned provincial and municipal policies. This policy reflects and references these laws.

Leduc County is an authorized employer of Community Peace Officers and the province of Alberta has set in legislation the Alberta Peace Officer Act (Statutes of Alberta 2006, Chapter P-3.5); The Peace Officer (Ministerial) Regulation (AR 312/2006); and the Peace Officer Regulation (AR 291/2006).

The Alberta Solicitor General and Public Security Department has enacted the *Peace Officer Policy and Procedures Manual*, as amended from time to time, which applies to both employers of Peace Officers and to Peace Officers and further makes compliance to this policy a requirement in law.

This policy will be subject to frequent change in order to remain current and relevant, and will serve as the operational guidelines for Leduc County Enforcement Services as a whole.

If any components of this document, in whole or in part, come into conflict with either Federal or Provincial law, or Justice and Solicitor General Policy and Procedures, the law or policy shall take precedence, without exception.

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Should any provision of this document become invalid, void, illegal, or otherwise not enforceable, it shall be considered separate and severable from the rest of the document and the remainder shall remain in force and be binding as though such provision had not been included.

Policy responsibilities

Council responsibilities:

Council will,

- Approve the Peace Officer Policy.

Administration responsibilities:

Administration will,

- Direct administration to develop the necessary administrative procedures to implement this policy; and
- Approve those administrative procedures.

Department Director will,

- Manage enforcement services matters within the area oversight.

Protective Services Committee

The Protective Services Committee will,

- Make recommendations to Council with respect to matters concerning policies, priorities and budgets for Enforcement Services.
- Support facilitate and advise Council on the achievements of Enforcement Services.
- Report regularly to Council on ongoing issues and initiatives.
- Liaise with and seek the support of other enforcement bodies, governments, agencies or the public on related issues as directed by Council.
- Be advisory to Council and shall not establish policy, authorize expenditures or commit the County’s resources, except as authorized by Council.

Monitoring and updating

- This policy will be posted on Leduc County’s website.
- This policy will be reviewed at least once every four years.

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