

Policy Name:	UNDERCOVER (UC) OPERATIONS		
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1. PURPOSE

- 1.1. To ensure Surrey Police Service (SPS) Members handle and engage in Undercover (UC) Operations in a professional manner with public safety and police officer safety being the fundamental consideration.
- 1.2. The following must be considered when undertaking any UC Operation: the administration of justice, the right to privacy, and the integrity of SPS.

2. SCOPE

2.1. This policy applies to all Members involved in an UC Operation.

3. POLICY

3.1. UC Operations must:

- i. be undertaken in full compliance with federal and provincial statutes;
- ii. only use selected and trained personnel who have completed the British Columbia Municipal Undercover Program (BCMUP); Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Undercover Unit, or equivalent training; and
- iii. be approved by an Officer:
 - a. for planned Undercover Operations, Members submit an Operational Plan to a Team Commander or an Inspector, Investigative Services Bureau; and
 - b. for an unplanned UC Operation, Members must receive prior approval from their Supervisor.

4. PROCEDURE

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APPENDIX A: DEFINITIONS

“BCMUP” means the British Columbia Municipal Undercover Program.

“Cover Officer” means a peace officer who has received Cover Officer training by the BCMUP, the RCMP Undercover Program, or other undercover training accredited by the BCMUP.

“Level 1 Undercover Operator” means a Member who has successfully completed the one-week JIBC or Vancouver Police Department Accredited Undercover Operators Course, or equivalent.

“Level 2 Undercover Operator” and “Level 2 Cover Officer” means a Member who has successfully completed the Level 2 Municipal Undercover / Cover Team Training Program or the equivalent.

“Member” means a sworn Police Officer appointed by the Surrey Police Board.

“Officer” means the rank of Inspector, Superintendent, Deputy Chief Constable, Chief Constable.

“Operational Plan” means a plan detailing the desired outcome of the investigation, suspect(s) targeted, resources required, risk assessment, investigative techniques to be used, predicted duration, cost of the investigation, and approval required.

“SPS” means Surrey Police Service.

“Supervisor” means a Sergeant, Staff Sergeant, Inspector, Superintendent, Deputy Chief Constable, Chief Constable, and any other person acting in a Supervisory capacity who is accountable for a particular area or shift on behalf of SPS.

“UC Operator” or “Undercover Operator” means a peace officer who has been provided undercover training by the BC Municipal Undercover Program, the RCMP Undercover Program, or other undercover training accredited by the BCMUP.

APPENDIX B: REFERENCES

Criminal Code, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-46

Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, S.C. 1996, c. 19