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# Arrest and Detention Policy

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## Purpose:

To ensure when members arrest or detain an individual they do so lawfully. This policy applies to sworn members and sets out the principles governing arrest or detention.

## Statement of Principle:

The *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* provides the right for everyone not to be arbitrarily detained and sets out the rights of an individual on arrest or detention. An unlawful arrest may result in civil, criminal and disciplinary action against the Arresting Officer.

## Policy Statement:

When arresting or detaining an individual, sworn members must ensure:

1. they have a lawful power of arrest or detention, and
2. the manner in which the arrest or detention is carried out respects the Charter Rights of the individual.