

Memorandum



January 2020

To: Marc Bedard
Assistant Deputy Minister
Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division
Ministry of the Solicitor General

From: Ontario Police Health and Safety Committee
Labour and Management Co-Chairs

Re: *Guidance Note (GN) #6: High Visibility Safety Apparel (revised) and
Guidance Note (GN) # 19: Motor Vehicle Safety for Police Service Workers*

The Ontario Police Health and Safety Committee (OPHSC) is appointed by the Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development under Section 21 of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* for the purpose of advising the Minister and making recommendations on occupational health and safety issues that affect police personnel across Ontario.

As you know, police personnel face unique occupational health and safety hazards that may not specifically be addressed in Ontario's *Police Services Act*, its regulations, or in supporting policing guidelines.

The OPHSC has revised *Guidance Note (GN) #6: High Visibility Safety Apparel (revised)* and developed *Guidance Note (GN) # 19: Motor Vehicle Safety for Police Service Workers*. This package also includes related safe driving posters previously shared with police services.

The OPHSC is seeking your support in ensuring these guidance notes and posters are distributed broadly within the policing community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Mark Baxter".

Mark Baxter
Labour Co-Chair
Police Association of Ontario

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Bryan Larkin
Management Co-Chair
Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police