

# Public Schools Branch

## OPERATIONAL POLICY

Occupational Health & Safety	
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### 1.0 SCOPE

- 1.1 This policy applies to all workplaces owned, managed, or operated by the Public Schools Branch.

### 2.0 PURPOSE

- 2.1 To protect employees of the Public Schools Branch from risk to their safety, health and physical wellbeing arising out of or in connection with activities in their workplace.

### 3.0 POLICY STATEMENT

- 3.1 The Public Schools Branch is committed to the establishment of healthy and safe workplaces and to working with its employees and Joint Health and Safety Committees to achieve that goal. The Public Schools Branch will identify employer/employee responsibilities and outline safe work practices in a formal Occupational Health and Safety Program.
- 3.2 All employees have the right to work in a safe and healthy work environment. To that end, all management, supervisors, employees and outside contractors are required to make every effort to ensure that the applicable requirements and duties, identified in the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and the Public Schools Branch Occupational Health and Safety Program, are met.

### 4.0 CROSS REFERENCE

- 4.1 *Occupational Health and Safety Act*
- 4.2 Public Schools Branch Occupational Health and Safety Program

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