

## **POLICY 5.04**

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## 5.04 PUBLIC SAFETY LIFELINE EQUIPMENT REPAIR/REPLACEMENT

### **5.04.1 GENERAL**

#### **Related Policies:**

- 2.02 Task Authorization
- 5.02 Expense Reimbursement

#### 5.04.2 DEFINITIONS

See Terms and Definitions

**Major Equipment:** Equipment such as personal vehicles, snowmobiles, ATVs, boats and generators, the use of which is reimbursed based on the EMBC Volunteer Reimbursement and Allowance Rate policy.

**Personal and Group Owned Equipment and Property:** Property and equipment, excluding Major Equipment (see above), essential to an approved operational task and for which no other provincial funds are provided.

### **5.04.3 POLICY STATEMENT**

- (1) EMBC will reimburse Public Safety Lifeline volunteers and groups for property or equipment lost or damaged as the result of an approved operational task as follows:
  - a. Personal and Group Owned Equipment and Property full cost of repair or replacement, whichever is less.
  - b. Major Equipment the lesser of the actual repair costs or the cost of the deductible portion of insurance coverage to a maximum of \$1,000.00 whether insured or not.
- (2) Training events do not have the same urgency as operational tasks, and thus the onus is on the Public Safety Lifeline volunteer or group to ensure all precautions are taken to reduce or eliminate instances of equipment loss or damage. Claims for damage to equipment or equipment loss during training will only be considered in the context of operational readiness.

## 5.04.4 CONDITIONS/RESPONSIBILITIES

- (1) Loss or damage must have directly resulted from:
  - a) Responding to, conducting, or returning from an approved operational task.
  - b) May be considered in an approved training task during the training or exercise itself.



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Reimbursement will not be provided where obvious negligence or wilfulness is shown or indicated.

- (2) Repair/replacement costs that do not meet the requirements and conditions of EMBC policies and procedures will be considered the responsibility of the registered owner.
- (3) Reports of losses or damage to Major Equipment or Personal or Group Owned Equipment and Property must be made to the ECC within 72 hours of the loss or damage.

## **5.04.5 AUTHORITIES**

Emergency Program Act

## Original Signed by

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### **5.04.6 RELATED DOCUMENTS**

- 5.04 Public Safety Lifeline Equipment Repair/Replacement Procedures
- 5.04 Public Safety Lifeline Equipment Repair/Replacement FAQs
- Equipment Repair/Replacement Request Form
- 5.04 Equipment Repair/Replacement Request Form Instructions