



**CONSERVATION  
OFFICER SERVICE**

## CONSERVATION OFFICER WILLINGNESS STATEMENT

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Comp. No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

The items listed below describe some of the basic duties of a member of the Conservation Officer Service. Please consider each item carefully and honestly. Your signature below indicates that you have read and fully understand the information provided in this form and your willingness to abide by its terms and conditions, if hired. If you have any questions or concerns about this form, please contact the Staff Development, Training and Recruiting section at

[Conservation.Officer.Service@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Conservation.Officer.Service@gov.bc.ca).

### **CONSERVATION OFFICERS MUST BE WILLING AND ABLE TO:**

- Abide by the Code of Conduct and all other Conservation Officer Service directives.
- Apply and uphold provincial government policy and guidelines that recognize and promote a multicultural society, the principles of employment equity, and a workplace free from harassment and discrimination.
- Interact fairly and respectfully with a diverse public.
- Deliver government policy and guidelines objectively, including in those situations where there may be opposition or adverse reaction from certain members or groups of the public.
- Live/work in various locations throughout the province (e.g., urban, suburban, rural / isolated).
- Work irregular shifts, evenings, weekends, and some statutory holidays. Attend after-hours callouts.
- Spend upwards of 40% of your time working in an office environment doing administrative work, such as preparing reports and answering public inquiries.
- Work in isolated areas and under difficult conditions (e.g., inclement weather, rugged environment).
- Wear a uniform and meet standards of dress and personal appearance.
- Successfully complete physical abilities testing for conservation officers as a prerequisite of employment.
- Operate and maintain government vehicles in accordance with ministry policy and any applicable laws and regulations (e.g., 4-wheel drive, off-road vehicles, boats). Travel in small, fixed-wing, or rotary aircraft.
- Satisfy qualification and re-qualification standards in the use of firearms.
- Take ongoing training in the use of force to ensure officer and public safety during critical incidents.
- Deal with resistant, aggressive, or potentially violent persons, many of whom possess weapons, while patrolling alone.
- Conduct investigations under a range of environmental and public-safety related statutes.
- Arrest and detain persons.
- Obtain and execute search warrants. Serve orders, summonses, appearance notices, and other legal documents.
- Testify in court as a witness and be cross-examined.
- Act as a first responder to wildlife attacks on humans. Assess animal behaviour and risk. Destroy dangerous/injured/orphaned wildlife as required by policy, and sometimes in the face of public opposition.
- Perform basic necropsies on wildlife and fish which may be in various stages of decomposition.

**I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have read and fully understand the information provided in this form and I am willing to abide by its terms and conditions if hired.**

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Signature of Applicant

Date Signed