



2.09 BODY RECOVERY

2.09.1 GENERAL

Related Policies:

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2.09.2 DEFINITIONS

See [Terms and Definitions](#)

2.09.3 POLICY STATEMENT

- (1) Search and Rescue (SAR) volunteers may conduct body recoveries on behalf of the BC Coroner's Service and will be reimbursed by EMBC for eligible expenses in accordance with pre-established rates. There is **NO** obligation for SAR volunteers to provide body recovery services.

2.09.4 CONDITIONS/RESPONSIBILITIES

- (1) A request for SAR volunteers to conduct a body recovery must be received from the Coroner's Service, or the police on behalf of the coroner, and a Task Number issued.
 - (2) On request, EMBC headquarters ECC will issue a Task Number to provide injury, disability, accidental death, and liability coverage, and reimbursement for meals, mileage, and other eligible operational expenses.
 - (3) SAR volunteers must concur that they are willing to conduct the body recovery as volunteers, and not seek payment for their services or lost wages.
 - (4) Should SAR volunteers wish to contract their services to the BC Coroner's Service, they do so as a private enterprise and will not be provided with injury, disability, accidental death, and liability coverage.
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2.09.5 AUTHORITIES

[Emergency Program Act](#)

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Chris Duffy
A/Assistant Deputy Minister
Emergency Management BC

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2.09.6 RELATED DOCUMENTS

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