Health and Safety Standard PUBLIC SAFETY

1 PURPOSE

This standard supports the SaskPower Health, Safety and Environment Policy, with a purpose to focus on the following

- 1. Workforce Safety: A risk-based approach for public safety in SaskPower's business practices and decisions;
- 2. General Public Awareness: Educate residents of Saskatchewan on staying safe around our facilities;
- 3. **Business Community Awareness:** Support stakeholder initiatives that influences agricultural, commercial and industrial worker safety;
- 4. **Safe and Reliable Electrical Infrastructure:** Improve electrical safety standards, tools and technology to protect the public and follow good utility work practices;
- 5. **External Collaboration and Partnerships:** Collaborate and form strategic partnerships with external stakeholders on targeted community safety initiatives.

2 SCOPE

This standard identifies the minimum requirements for all SaskPower Divisions that has an impact on public safety. The Public Safety Strategy expands upon the standard and establishes direction, goals and objectives.

This standard outlines the minimum requirements that shall be met or exceeded by SaskPower workers and contractors. Failure to comply may result in injuries, damage to equipment and property, environmental harm, performance management or any combination thereof.

The use of the word "shall" within this standard denotes a mandatory action, whereas the use of the word "should" or "may" denotes a recommended action.

3 DEFINITIONS

There are no definitions for this standard.

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4 REQUIREMENTS

4.1 DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAMMING

- Identify the potential for hazards/aspects that the public may be exposed to and where possible, eliminate the hazard.
- Where the hazard/aspect cannot be eliminated, incorporate controls to reduce the risk of exposure to the hazard/aspect.
- Take public safety into consideration when constructing and maintaining SaskPower's facilities and emergency response plans.
- Develop, maintain and monitor for effectiveness public safety programming and other SaskPower initiatives in the business that impacts public safety.
- Provide resources for public safety initiatives and programming.
- Report public safety incidents and property damage.
- Investigate public safety incidents at the discretion of the business area, to identify root cause and execute action to avoid similar incidents in the future.
- Perform data analytics to understand issues and to plan for improvement.
- Monitor and measure for effectiveness.

5 IMPLEMENTATION

The requirements of this version of the standard are to be met within six months of the approval date at which time the previous version will be superseded.



6 **RESOURCES**

6.1 INTERNAL RESOURCES

Related Policies:	Hazard/Aspect and Risk Assessment (HARA) Policy	
Related Standards:	Hazard/Aspect and Risk Assessment (HARA) Standard	
Additional Information: Health, Safety and Environment Rulebook		

6.2 EXTERNAL RESOURCES

Related Legislation:	The Saskatchewan Employment Act	
	The Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 2020	



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