

APPENDIX B - Police Service Inspection Program – Major Case Management 2018/19**INTRODUCTION**

This standard addresses the collection, classification, prioritization and flow of investigative information for threshold major cases. The standard also addresses the classification of suspect(s) for the purpose of investigating suspect(s) to the point at which the individual can be confidently eliminated as a suspect or prioritized for probability in the interests of effective and efficient allocation of investigative resources.

POLICY AND PROCEDURES

1. Following the receipt of investigation information, background inquiries shall be conducted.
2. The investigative information and results of the inquiries shall be forwarded to the Command Triangle.
3. When a person of interest is identified, steps shall be taken to ensure a thorough investigation of that individual.
4. If an individual is identified as a suspect, the Command Triangle shall ensure a thorough and complete investigation is conducted. The suspect shall be prioritized as high, medium or low based on the following criteria:
 - a) existence and extent of corroborating evidence;
 - b) reliability of investigative information;
 - c) number of references to the same person;
 - d) existence of motive;
 - e) existence of opportunity;
 - f) relationship to the victim; and,
 - g) background of the suspect.
2. All Actions shall be recorded in the ministry-approved software.
6. The Command Triangle shall prioritize all actions as high, medium or low based on the following factors:
 - a) risk to public safety;
 - b) potential for loss of evidence;
 - c) availability of the source/subject of the information;
 - d) number of references to the same information;
 - e) specificity of the information;
 - f) whether the source of the information is known or anonymous;
 - g) seriousness of the offence, and,
 - h) reliability of the source, if known.
7. In relation to all other investigative information, the information management cycle shall continue until the Command Triangle determines:
 - a) that all relevant investigative avenues have been exhausted; or,
 - b) that no further follow-up is required.