

**Report to / Rapport au:**

**OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD  
LA COMMISSION DE SERVICES POLICIERS D'OTTAWA**

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**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO INQUIRY I-20-11: CRUISERS PARKING ON  
SIDEWALKS**

**OBJET: RÉPONSE À LA DEMANDE DE RENSEIGNEMENTS I-20-11 :  
Stationnement des voitures de patrouille sur les trottoirs**

**REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That the Ottawa Police Services Board receives this report for information.**

**RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT**

**Que la Commission de services policiers d'Ottawa prenne connaissance du  
présent rapport à titre d'information.**

**INQUIRY**

What direction is given to police officers on duty in terms of parking their police cruisers for non-emergency matters?

**RESPONSE**

Sworn members of the Ottawa Police Service (OPS) are instructed to operate their vehicles in accordance with all applicable laws. This includes parking regulations. We are very aware of negative public perception of police vehicles parking inappropriately or in violation of parking regulations. However, it should also be noted that there are circumstances when officers are required to park in a manner outside of regulations while responding to calls for service or in emergencies.