

Instructions: Statement of Appeal RCMP Appeals Process

Form

In accordance with subsection 37 of the <u>CSO (Grievances and Appeals</u> and section 45.11 of the <u>RCMP Act</u>, an appellant is entitled to present an appeal in writing to the Office for the Coordination of Grievances and Appeals (OCGA). The Statement of Appeal Form 6437 is the approved RCMP form to be used by an appellant to initiate the appeals process.

Requirements of an Appeal

In order to present an appeal, a regular or civilian member or a conduct authority (the appellant) can appeal a final written decision made in the following processes provided for in the CSO (Conduct), CSO (Employment Requirements) and CSO (Investigation and Resolution of Harassment Complaints):

- (a) revocation of an appointment of a member;
- (b) administrative discharge or demotion (AD and D) of a member;
- (c) discharge of a probationary member;
- (d) relief from duty;
- (e) temporary stoppage of pay and allowances (for reason other than conduct);
- (f) investigation and resolution of harassment;
- (g) conduct authority's decision or a conduct board's decision that an allegation of a contravention of a provision of the Code of Conduct is established, not
 established, or a conduct measure imposed by a conduct authority or conduct board;
- (h) temporary reassignment of a member;
- (i) suspension of a member;
- (j) stoppages of pay and allowances for conduct;
- (k) stoppages of pay and allowances for loss of basic requirement;
- (I) member representation in a conduct process;
- (m) member representation or assistance in the grievance or appeals process; or
- (n) requirement to undergo a medical examination or assessment.

Note: Processes (a), (b), (f), (g), (j) and (k) may also be referred to the RCMP External Review Committee (ERC) for a decision.

If you believe you have been discriminated against, include your allegation of discrimination in contravention of the <u>Canadian Human Rights Act (CHRA)</u> in your appeal application. RCMP Adjudicators can assess human rights issues under the <u>CHRA</u>. You will be required to identify the grounds and practices of discrimination, and demonstrate facts to support that the treatment is linked to one or more of the prohibited grounds. This means that there must be a reasonable basis and more than just a statement that the final written decision is discriminatory.

Discrimination is an action or a decision that treats a person or a group negatively for reasons based on one or more of the following grounds under section 3 of the *CHRA*: race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status, family status, genetic characteristics, disability and conviction for an offence for which a pardon has been granted or in respect of which a record suspension has been ordered. To be discriminatory, the treatment must fall under one of the practices of discrimination under sections 5 to 14.1 of the *CHRA*.

For more information about human rights, you may visit the <u>Canadian Human Rights Commission</u> website, or the <u>Human Rights Complaints</u> section of the RCMP Infoweb.



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Please ensure all necessary information is provided by completing all fields contained within this form that are applicable to your matter.

The provision of this information is mandatory and will greatly assist the OCGA in the administration of your appeal.

If this form is filled out by hand, please ensure that it is legible.

Save, print and send the completed form to the OCGA, by mail (email, regular or internal mail, by courier or registered mail). The email address for the OCGA is RCMP.RecourseOCGA-RecourseCGA.GRC@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.

Please note that the date of presentation of the appeal is the date it is received at the OCGA, and not the date on which it was mailed, unless the appellant has clear proof of the date it was mailed. If the appellant (or their representative) sends this form electronically, it must be accompanied by an electronic message identifying the sender as the appellant or representative. The appellant's or representative's email address will replace the signature on the form.

The appellant, or their representative, must present the form to the OCGA within fourteen (14) days after the day on which the appellant was served with the final written decision being appealed. If a representative has been authorized by the appellant to act on their behalf, include an email or document indicating that authorization. If the representative is an RCMP employee, include their Line Officer's written authorization to represent the appellant.

Exception: If the representative is a Conduct Authority Representative or an RCMP employee working in the capacity of a bargaining agent Shop Steward or Local workplace Representative (National Police Federation), their Line Officer's written authorization to represent the appellant is not required.

For more information on how to present an appeal and complete the form, please consult National Guidebook - Appeals Procedures.

Important Notes

This form will be included in the appeal file forwarded to the adjudicator.

Under section 10(1) of the <u>Privacy Act</u>, information written on this form will be collected and used for statistical and internal purposes such as the Personal Information Bank CMP/P-PE-804.

Definitions

Appellant: means

- (a) a member who presents an appeal, and includes a former member for the purposes of any appeal with respect to a discharge or a dismissal from the RCMP; or
- (b) a conduct authority who presents an appeal of a decision of a conduct board.

Committee: means the Royal Canadian Mounted Police External Review Committee as established by section 25 of the RCMP Act.

Member: means a member as defined under section 2 of the RCMP Act, and includes a former member for the purposes of any provision respecting an appeal in relation to a discharge from the Force.

Office for the Coordination of Grievances and Appeals (OCGA): means the RCMP office that is responsible for the coordination of administrative matters relating to grievances and appeals.

Representative: means a person authorized by an appellant or respondent, to act on behalf, and have the full authority, of an appellant or respondent during the appeals process.

Respondent: means

- (a) the person who made the written decision that is the subject of the appeal, or the person who replaces him/her in that position, or the person designated by the adjudicator; or
- (b) in the case of an appeal of a conduct board's decision,
 - i. the conduct authority who initiated the hearing by the conduct board, or the person that replaces him/her in that position, or the person designated by the adjudicator; if the appellant is the member who is the subject of the conduct board's decision; or
 - ii. the member who is the subject of the conduct board's decision, if the appellant is the conduct authority who initiated the hearing by the conduct board.

OCGA Contact Information

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