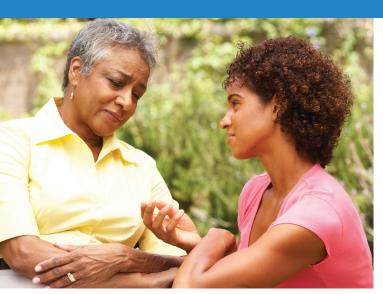


# Halton Regional Police Service Vulnerable Person Registry



## **Vulnerable Person Registry**

The Vulnerable Person Registry is a voluntary service offered throughout the Halton Region that allows family members and/or caregivers of vulnerable persons to submit critical information to Halton Regional Police Service that may be used during an emergency situation.

This voluntary Vulnerable Person Registry will provide the Halton Regional Police Service with emergency contact information, detailed physical descriptions, known routines and the special needs of this individual. This information will assist officers in communicating with, attending a residence of or dealing with an emergency involving this individual.

## **Definition of Vulnerable Person**

A Vulnerable Person is defined as a person who due to a medical, mental health or physical condition, may exhibit patterns of behaviour that may pose a danger to themselves or to others. This could include; an inclination to wander, the inability to communicate, fascinations or attractions (water, construction sites, etc.) and social responses (fear of strangers, aggression).

Examples of Vulnerable Persons may include persons with; Alzheimer's disease, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Acquired Brain Injury or a mental condition that causes a person to exhibit the above behaviours.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

## How will this registry help my child/dependent?

If this individual goes missing, the information you submit about his/her physical appearance, known routines, de-escalation techniques and communication techniques will be available to every police officer searching for this person.

## Who can register?

The Individual themselves, Parent(s), Guardians or Substitute Decision Makers are encouraged to submit a report using our online registry available at:

http://www.haltonpolice.ca/CommunityPolicing/Pages/VulnerablePersonRegistry.aspx.

Anyone not having access to the internet is encouraged to attend any district station for assistance in registering.



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#### What information is required?

During the registration process we will require information about you and the person you are registering. This information includes: Name, Address, Contact information, De-Escalation techniques, Tendencies/Routines and Recent photograph of the individual.

#### How is this information used?

In the case of an emergency, Halton Regional Police officers have immediate to this registry. The information you provide can quickly help responding officers assist in the location and identification of this individual.

#### If I don't live in the Halton Region can I still use the registry?

Yes, if the person you are registering attends school, daycare, other activities, or regularly attends the Region of Halton, then you should register them.

If the individual you are registering does not regularly attend the Region of Halton then there would be no benefit to registering. Other police jurisdictions will not have access to the registry so it will be quicker and safer to contact that agency and follow their process for taking reports.

#### How soon will the information be available to police?

The information you submit will be available to officers within 3 – 4 days.

## Will I need to quote the registration number if I call the police?

No, you will not need to have this occurrence number immediately at hand. During high stress situations there is no expectation that you remember the number, but merely that the person has been registered. The Halton Regional Police Service will be able to verify and access the information simply by using the person's name or address.

## Who can access the registry?

Only Halton Regional Police personnel who require this information in the performance of their duties will have access to the information.

## Will I be notified when the annual renewal is required?

Yes, you will receive a reminder of the upcoming renewal approximately two months before expiry. It will be the responsibility of the parent/reporting person to renew the information through the Halton Regional Police Service website.

For more information, contact:

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