## PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL

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# **Career College Sexual Violence Policy**

#### 1. Sexual Violence Policy

- (a) PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL is committed to providing its students with an educational environment free from sexual violence and treating its students who report incidents of sexual violence with dignity and respect.
- (b) PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL has adopted this Sexual Violence Policy, which defines sexual violence and outlines its training, reporting, investigative, and disciplinary responses to complaints of sexual violence made by its students that have occurred on its campus, or at one of its events and involve its students.
- (c) The person accused of engaging in sexual violence will be referred to as the "Respondent" and the person making the allegation as the "Complainant".

#### 2. Definition of Sexual Violence

Sexual violence means any sexual act or act targeting a person's sexuality, gender identity or gender expression, whether the act is physical or psychological in nature, that is committed, threatened or attempted against a person without the person's consent, and includes sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, indecent exposure, voyeurism and sexual exploitation.

#### 3. Training, Reporting and Responding to Sexual Violence

- (a) PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL will include a copy of the Sexual Violence Policy in every contract made between it and its students, and provide a copy of the Sexual Violence Policy to career college management (corporate directors, controlling shareholders, owners, partners, other persons who manage or direct the career college's affairs, and their agents), instructors, staff, other employees and contractors and train them about the policy and its processes of reporting, investigating and responding to complaints of sexual violence involving its students. \*Any company participating in offering student internships on their premises must provide an undertaking in writing that it is in compliance with all applicable legislation, including the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Occupational Health and Safety Act and will provide students access to those policies should they encounter issues relating to sexual violence in the workplace.
- (b) The Sexual Violence Policy shall be published on its website (or where the Career College does not have a website in a conspicuous location on each of its campuses). Career college management, instructors, staff, other employees, and contractors of PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL will report incidents of or complaints of sexual violence to Akashdeep Singh at PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL (647)296-0007 upon becoming aware of them.
- (c) Students who have been affected by sexual violence or who need information about support services should contact Akashdeep Singh at PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL (647)296-0007.
- (d) Subject to Section 4 below, to the extent it is possible, PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL will

attempt to keep all personal information of persons involved in the investigation confidential except in those circumstances where it believes an individual is at imminent risk of self-harm, or of harming another, or there are reasonable grounds to believe that others on its campus or the broader community are at risk. This will be done by:

- ensuring that all complaints/reports and information gathered as a result of the complaint/reports will be only available to those who need to know for purposes of investigation, implementing safety measures and other circumstances that arise from any given case; and
- (ii) ensuring that the documentation is kept in a separate file from that of the Complainant/Student or the Respondent.
- (e) PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL recognizes the right of the Complainant not to report an incident of or make a complaint about sexual violence or not request an investigation and not to participate in any investigation that may occur.
- (f) Notwithstanding (e) above, in certain circumstances, PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL may be required by law or its internal policies to initiate an internal investigation and/or inform police without the complainant's consent if it believes the safety of members of its campus or the broader community is at risk.
- (g) In all cases, including (e & f) above and (h) below, PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL will appropriately accommodate the needs of its students who are affected by sexual violence. Students seeking accommodation should contact Akashdeep Singh at (647)296-0007.
- (h) In this regard, PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL will assist students who have experienced sexual violence in obtaining counselling and medical care and provide them with information about sexual violence supports and services available in the community as set out in Appendix 1 attached hereto. Students are not required to file a formal complaint in order to access supports and services.
- (i) Students are not required to report an incident of, or make a complaint about, sexual violence in order to obtain the supports and services.
- (j) If students, in good faith, report an incident of, or make a complaint about, sexual violence, they will not be subject to discipline or sanctions for violations of the career college's policies relating to drug or alcohol use at the time the alleged sexual violence occurred.
- (k) Students who disclose their experience of sexual violence through reporting an incident of, making a complaint about, or accessing supports and services for sexual violence, will not be asked irrelevant questions during the investigation process by the career college's staff or investigators, including irrelevant questions relating to the student's sexual expression or past sexual history.

#### 4. Investigating Reports of Sexual Violence

- (a) Under this Sexual Violence Policy, any student of PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL may file a report of an incident or a complaint to Akashdeep Singh in writing.
- (b) Upon receipt of a report of an incident or a complaint of alleged sexual violence being made, Akashdeep Singh will respond promptly and: determine whether an investigation should proceed and if the Complainant wishes to participate in an investigation.

- (i) determine who should conduct the investigation having regard to the seriousness of the allegation and the parties involved.
- (ii) determine whether the incident should be referred immediately to the police.
  - In such cases or where civil proceedings are commenced in respect of allegations of sexual violence, PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL may conduct its own independent investigation and make its own determination in accordance with its own policies and procedures; and
- (c) determine what interim measures ought to be put in place pending the investigation process such as removal of the Respondent or seeking alternate methods of providing necessary course studies.
- (d) Once an investigation is initiated, the following will occur:
  - (i) the Complainant and the Respondent will be advised that they may ask another person to be present throughout the investigation.
  - (ii) interviewing the Complainant to ensure a complete understanding of the allegation and gathering additional information that may not have been included in the written complaint such as the date and time of the incident, the persons involved, the names of any person who witnessed the incident and a complete description of what occurred.
  - (iii) informing and interviewing the Respondent of the complaint, providing details of the allegations and giving the Respondent an opportunity to respond to those allegations and to provide any witnesses the Respondent feels are essential to the investigation.
  - (iv) interviewing any person involved or who has, or may have, knowledge of the incident and any identified witnesses.
  - (v) providing reasonable updates to the Complainant and the Respondent about the status of the investigation; and
  - (vi) following the investigation, Akashdeep Singh will:
    - (A) review all of the evidence collected during the investigation.
    - (B) determine whether sexual violence occurred; and if so
    - (C) determine what disciplinary action, if any, should be taken as set out in Section 5 below.

#### 5. Disciplinary Measures

If it is determined by PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL that the Respondent did engage in sexual violence, immediate disciplinary or corrective action will be taken. This may include:

- (a) disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment of instructors or staff; or
- (b) expulsion of a student; and /or
- (c) the placement of certain restrictions on the Respondent's ability to access certain premises or facilities; and/or
- (d) any other actions that may be appropriate in the circumstances.

## 6. Appeal

Should the Complainant or the Respondent not agree with the decision resulting from the investigation, he or she may appeal the decision to Japinderpal Singh Deol, Director within 10 days by submitting a letter addressed to JAPINDERPAL SINGH DEOL at PRO SKILLS DRIVING

SCHOOL, 181 Groh Ave, Suite 105, Cambridge, ON N3C 1Y8 advising of the person's intent to appeal the decision.

#### 7. Making False Statements

- (a) It is a violation of this Sexual Violence Policy for anyone to knowingly make a false complaint of sexual violence or to provide false information about a complaint.
- (b) Individuals who violate this Sexual Violence Policy are subject to disciplinary and/or corrective action up to and including termination of employment of instructors or staff or expulsion of a student.

#### 8. Reprisal

- (a) It is a violation of this Sexual Violence Policy to retaliate or threaten to retaliate against a complainant who has brought forward a complaint of sexual violence, provided information related to a complaint, or otherwise been involved in the complaint investigation process.
- (b) Individuals who violate the Sexual Violence Policy are subject to disciplinary and/or corrective action, up to and including termination of employment of instructors or staff or expulsion of a student.

#### 9. Review

- (a) PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL shall ensure that student input is considered in the development of its Sexual Violence Policy and every time it is reviewed or amended.
- (b) PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL shall review its Sexual Violence Policy 3 years after it is first implemented and amend it where appropriate. The review date will be Jan 31, 2026.

## 10. Collection of Student Data

PRO SKILLS DRIVING SCHOOL shall collect and be prepared to provide upon request by the Superintendent of Career Colleges such data and information as required according to Subsections 32.3 (8), (9) and (10) of Schedule 5 of the Ontario Career Colleges Act, 2005 as amended.

## Appendix 1

The following represents a list of Provincial Rape Crisis Centers that could be provided as resources:

Canadian Association of Sexual Assault Centres, Ontario Provincial		
English	Français	
Assaulted Women's Helpline Toll Free: 1-866-863-	Fem'aide	
0511	Telephone Toll-Free: 1-877-336-2433	
#SAFE (#7233) on Bell, Rogers, Fido or Telus mobile	ATS: 1 866 860-7082	
TTY: 416-364-8762	www.femaide.ca	
www.awhl.org		

#### **Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centres**

35 <u>hospital-based centres that provide</u> 24/7 emergency care to women. To locate the Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centre nearest you, follow <u>this link</u>.

## Alliston, Barrie, Collingwood, Midland and Orillia

Huronia Transition Homes operates La Maison Rosewood Shelter (Midland) & Athena's Sexual Assault Counselling and Advocacy Centre

24-Hour Crisis Line:

Barrie: 705-737-2008 or 1-800-987-0799 Midland: 705-526-4211 or 1-800-461-175

Office: 705-526-3221 www.huroniatransitionhomes.ca

Belleville	Bracebridge
Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District Toll-Free: 1-877-	Muskoka/Parry Sound Sexual Assault Services
544-6424	Parry Sound District Office:
Office: 613-967-6300	Office: (705) 774-9083 or 1-877-851-6662
www.sacqd.com	Muskoka District Office:
	Office: (705) 646-2122 or 1-877-406-1268
	www.daphnewymn.com
Brantford	Brockville
Sexual Assault Centre of Brantford Crisis: 519-751-3471	Assault Response & Care Centre
Office: 519-751-1164	Office: (613) 345-3881 or 1-800-567-7415
sexualassaultcentre@sacbrant.ca	arcc@bgh-on.ca
http://sacbrant.ca/	www.arc-c.ca
Chatham	Cornwall
Chatham-Kent Sexual Assault Crisis Centre 24-Hour Crisis	Sexual Assault Support Services for Women Office: 613-932-
Line: 519-354-8688 Office/TTY: 519-354-8908	1755
http://cksacc.org/	http://sassforwomen.ca/
	lethinisten: ha Women's Shelter Akwasasne Family Violence
	Program 24-Hour Crisis: 1-800-480-4208
	Phone: 613-937-4322
	www.akwesasne.ca/iethinistenha-women's -shelter
Durham Region	Eganville
Durham Rape Crisis Centre Crisis: 905-668-9200	Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County 24-Hour
Office: 905-444.9672	Crisis: 1-800-663-3060
info@drcc.ca	Office: 613-735-5551
www.drcc.ca	www.wsac.ca
Guelph	Hamilton
Guelph-Wellington Women in Crisis Crisis: 519-836-5710	Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area) Crisis: (905) 525-
1-800-265-7233	4162
Office: 519-823-5806	Office (905) 525-4573
www.gwwomenincrisis.org	TTY: 905-525-4592
	<u>www.sacha.ca</u>

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Kenora	Kingston
Kenora Sexual Assault Centre	Sexual Assault Centre Kingston
Crisis: (807) 468-7233 or 1-800-565-6161	Crisis: 613-544-6424 or 1-877-544-6424
Office: (807) 468-7958	Office: 613-545-0762
www.kenorasexualassaultcentre.com	sack@sackingston.com
	www.sackingston.com
Kitchener-Waterloo	London
Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region Crisis:	Sexual Assault Centre London Crisis: 519-438-2272
519.741.8633	Office 519-439-0844
Office: 519.571.0121	TTY: 519-439-0690
info@sascwr.org	sacl@sacl.ca
www.kwsasc.org	www.sacl.ca
	London Abused Women's Centre
	Office: 519-432-2204
	E-Mail: info@lawc.on.ca
	http://lawc.on.ca/
Deal Design	Newmarket
Peel Region	
Hope 24/7 (formerly the Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis Centre of	Women's Support Network of York Region Crisis: 1-800-263-
Peel) Crisis:1-800-810-0180	6734 or 905-895-6734
Office: (905) 792-0821	Office: (905) 895-3646
http://hope247.ca/	www.womenssupportnetwork.ca
North Bay	Oakville
Amelia Rising Women's Sexual Assault Centre of	Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services of Halton
Nipissing/centre d'alobalressions sexuelles de Nipissing.	Crisis: 905-875-1555 or 1-877-268-8416
Crisis: 705-476-3355	Office: 905-825-3622
Office: 705-840-2403	www.savisofhalton.org
TTY: (705) 840-5877	
info@ameliarising.ca	
www.ameliarising.ca	
Orangeville	Ottawa
Family Transition Place	Sexual Assault Support Centre Crisis: 613-234-2266
Crisis: 1-800-265-9178	Phone: 613-725-2160
Office: 519-942-4122	TTY: 613-725-1657
www.familytransitionplace.ca	info@sascottawa.com
	http://sascottawa.com
	Ottawa Rape Crisis Centre Crisis: 613-562-2333
	Office: 613-562-2334
	http://orcc.net/
Peterborough & Kawarthas Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre	Sault Ste Marie
Crisis: (705) 741- 0260 or 1-866-298-7778	Women in Crisis (Algoma) Inc.
Office/TTY: (705) 741-0260	Crisis: 705-759-1230 or 1-877-759-1230
www.kawarthasexualassaultcentre.com	www.womenincrisis.ca
YWCA Peterborough Haliburton Crisis: 1-800-461-7656	www.womenmensis.ea
Office: 705.743.3526 x 130	
www.ywcapeterborough.org	Simon
Sarnia-Lambton Sexual Assault Survivors Centre Sarnia-Lambton Crisis: 519	Simcoe  Haldimand & Norfolk Woman's Sarvisa Crisis: 1, 200, 365, 2076
	Haldimand & Norfolk Women's Service Crisis: 1-800-265-8076
337-3320 or 1-888-231-0536	TTY: 1-800-815-6419
Office: (519) 337-3154	Office: 519-426-8048
www.sexualassaultsarnia.on.ca	hnws@hnws.on.ca
	www.hnws.on.ca
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St. Catherines Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre Crisis: (905) 682-4584 Office: (905) 682-7258 carsa@sexualassaultniagara.org http://sexualassaultniagara.org/	Thunder Bay Thunder Bay Sexual Assault and Sexual Abuse Crisis and Counselling Centre Office: (807) 345-0894 or 1-866-311-5927 tbcounselling@tbsasa.org www.tbsasa.org
Timmins Timmins and Area Women in Crisis Crisis: 1-877-268-8380 (sexual assault) Crisis: 1-855-827-7233 (shelter) Office: (705) 268-8381 info@tawc.ca http://www.tawc.ca/	Toronto  Oasis Centre des Femmes Téléphone: 416-591-6565 Courriel: services@oasisfemmes.org http://oasisfemmes.org/ Toronto Rape Crisis Centre: Multicultural Women Against Rape Crisis: 416-597-8808 Office: 416-597-1171 info@trccmwar.ca crisis@trccmwar.ca www.trccmwar.ca
Windsor Sexual Assault Crisis Centre of Essex County Crisis: 519-253- 9667 www.saccwindsor.net	Woodstock Domestic Abuse Services Oxford Crisis: 519 539-4811 or 1-800-265-1938 info@daso.ca www.daso.ca