



Fact Sheet - Vancouver 2010 Integrated Security Unit

The countdown is on, and soon Canada will host the Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. The Olympic Winter Games are scheduled for February 12 to 28, while the Paralympic Winter Games are scheduled for March 12 to 21.

The Government of Canada is responsible for delivering essential services during the 2010 Winter Games. These services are imperative for the safe and successful delivery of the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Without these services, it would be impossible for the 2010 Winter Games to take place.

The Covenant of the Government of Canada has mandated the RCMP to lead one of the most essential services: security planning. As such, the RCMP has formed the V2010 ISU.

The RCMP established the V2010 ISU in 2003, uniting law enforcement and the Canadian Forces. The V2010 ISU is responsible for planning and conducting security operations in support of the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games.

Security planning includes but is not limited to: venue security; marine & aviation security; transportation & traffic incident management; physical security; accreditation screening and verification and protective policing.

Vision

Securing the best Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games ever as partners in safety, peace and celebration.

Mission

Safe and secure 2010 Winter Games through an integrated security model.

The RCMP, Vancouver Police Department, West Vancouver Police Department, Canadian Forces, and other partners who make up the V2010 ISU have a long history of securing international events. The V2010 ISU is developing comprehensive security plans for the 2010 Winter Games that will be coordinated across departments and agencies.

Through such partnerships, the unit can deliver the most effective security plan possible to ensure safe and secure 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games.





Royal Canadian Mounted Police

The RCMP is the federally mandated agency to lead security planning for the 2010 Winter Games. The RCMP is unique in the world since it is a national, federal, provincial and municipal policing body.

The RCMP provides a total federal policing service to all Canadians and policing services under contract to the three territories, eight provinces (except Ontario and Quebec), more than 190 municipalities, 184 Aboriginal communities and three international airports.

Department of National Defence

Canadian Forces members are proud to serve Canada by defending its values, interests and sovereignty at home and abroad. Canadian Forces personnel belong to air, land, sea and special operations components.

There are approximately 62,000 Regular Force members and 25,000 Reserve Force members. (Including 4,000 Canadian Rangers)

Vancouver Police Department

The Vancouver Police Department work in collaboration with the RCMP on 2010 Integrated Security plan.

With over 1100 sworn members, the VPD's role is to maintain public order, uphold the rule of law and prevents crime within the host municipality of Vancouver.

West Vancouver Police Department

The West Vancouver Police Department not only provides local police service, but is also a participant in a number of regional integrated police teams with other municipal police organizations and the RCMP that address law enforcement issues that affect all British Columbia residents. This includes the Vancouver 2010 Integrated Security Unit.

The WVPD is made up of 81 sworn police members, 23.5 support staff members, and 75 community volunteers. The jurisdictional boundaries of the Police Department span 89 square kilometres running roughly from the Squamish Nation Reserve and Capilano Road in the east to Horseshoe Bay in the west, and north on Highway 99 to the District of West Vancouver boundary at Montizambert Creek, south of the Village of Lions Bay.

In addition to VPD, WVPD, the RCMP and the Canadian Forces, new partners include:

- South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service (Transit Police Service)
- BC Conservation Service
- CSIS
- CBSA
- Brandon
- Winnipeg
- Calgary
- Central Saanich
- Delta



Securing the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay

As the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay makes its way across Canada, the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay Security Team is focused on keeping the flame ablaze and the torchbearers safe. Under the responsibility of the V2010 ISU and the RCMP's Protective Policing branch, the security team is comprised of members of the RCMP and 22 other policing agencies across Canada. Members of this team will accompany the relay across the country to protect the flame itself, as well as the expected 12,000 torchbearers who will participate along the route.

The Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay is a significant and complex security undertaking involving over 1,000 communities. To mark this special event, 189 community celebrations are planned along the 106 day, 45,000 km journey.

The Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay Security Team works closely with local police in each community the relay is passing through to facilitate the smooth progress of the relay. These police of

jurisdiction are responsible for traffic management and security at each of the community celebration sites where the torch will stop, and for managing peaceful demonstrations along the torch route, as well as any potential public order issues that may arise within their areas of jurisdiction.

For more information about the V2010 ISU, please visit: www.v2010isu.com

Quick Facts:

The scope and scale of the 2010 Winter Games will make it one of the largest domestic security operation in Canadian history:

60 days of celebrations

27 days of sport:

- 17 days of Olympic Games events
- 10 days of Paralympic Games events

Security workforce will include 6000 law enforcement officers, 4500 Canadian Forces personnel and 5000 contracted private security employees.

The Olympic and Paralympic games areas of operations spans 150 square kilometers.

The RCMP will be joined by more than 100 other Canadian police departments to help secure Canada's Games.