

911 AND POLICE

When you have an EMERGENCY, call 911 for POLICE, FIRE, or AMBULANCE.

An EMERGENCY is something that is happening RIGHT NOW or JUST HAPPENED that can cause danger or damage to any person or property.

If you do NOT have an emergency but still need the police to attend somewhere, call the **NON-EMERGENCY number for RCMP in your area:**

NANAIMO (including Newcastle and Protection Islands)	(250) 754-2345
GABRIOLA ISLAND (including Mudge Island)	(250) 247-8333
LADYSMITH (including Thetis Island and Penelakut)	(250) 245-2215
NORTH COWICHAN (including Chemainus)	(250) 748-5522
SHAWNIGAN LAKE (including Mill Bay and Malahat)	(250) 743-5514
LAKE COWICHAN (including Nitinat)	(250) 749-6668

Whether you call 911 or one of the non-emergency RCMP numbers above, the dispatcher will ask you for the following information:

WHERE is the incident happening?

WHAT is happening?

WHO is involved?

Are there any **WEAPONS** involved?

Are **ALCOHOL** or **DRUGS** involved?

CALLER information

It is very important for the police dispatcher to gather these details so the right people can be located, assisted, and contacted; **HOWEVER**, the person you are calling about **DOES NOT** need to know it was you who called police.

If you live on reserve and require police attendance, whether it's an emergency or non-emergency, you should call police right away.

YOU CAN CALL 911 AND RCMP 24 HOURS/DAY, SEVEN DAYS/WEEK