

LAND SURVEYORS

Land Surveyors plan, direct and conduct legal surveys to establish and maintain real property boundaries. They prepare and maintain official plans, records and documents related to these surveys. Employment opportunities exist with the Federal, Provincial and Municipal governments as well as in the private sector. Many land surveyors are self-employed.

Land Surveying is a profession and as such it is regulated in the province of Manitoba. To be able to practice land surveying in Manitoba you **must** have a license from the Association of Manitoba Land Surveyors.

MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The minimum educational requirement is a two-year diploma in surveying from a recognized school in Canada. A degree, or diploma in surveying from a post-secondary institute from outside of Canada will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Step One

Applicants must first apply to the **Western Canadian Board of Examiners.** They must submit:

- a <u>certified</u> copy of the diploma, degree or certificate issued by a post-secondary institution;
- a summary of their academic education and training;
- an official transcript;
- resume of past work experience in surveying;
- all immigration documents; and
- assessment fee of \$60.00.

If documents are not in English or French, notarized translations are required.

An applicant may be asked to complete additional education or training and/or to write academic examinations. When an applicant's education and experience is assessed as <u>equivalent</u>, the Western Canadian Board of Examiners will issue a Certificate of Completion. This certificate confirms the applicant's level of educational training allowing them to apply to one of the four western provinces to become a student of that provincial association.

Each of the four western provinces has different professional requirements and the student should contact the provincial land surveying association to find out the specific requirement for each.

Step Two

After an applicant has obtained a Certificate of Completion she or he may apply to the **Association of Manitoba Land Surveyors** (AMLS). AMLS assesses the applicant's education and experience (fee is \$50.00).

WORK EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

All candidates must complete a period of articles, for a minimum of two years, under a registered Manitoba Land Surveyor.

To become registered as a Land Surveyor in Manitoba, an applicant must also write AMLS's Professional Practice Examinations. Examinations can be written once the article process and all other requirements have been completed. Prior to writing, applicants may be asked to complete a sub-division project, technical report and other related projects. Professional practice examinations are offered in April of each year. Each examination costs \$60.00 (there are seven examinations). Examinations can be re-written, in November of each year (fee is \$100.00 per examination).

When all requirements have been successfully completed, and fees have been paid, the applicant will be licensed as a Manitoba Land Surveyor (the registration fee is \$250.00). The annual membership fee for a practicing member is approximately \$1550.00.

The fees, documentation requirements, and assessment process detailed above are subject to change without notice.

For more detailed information contact:

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