



Nunavut was established as a territory on April 1, 1999 by the *Nunavut Act* (Canada). The *Nunavut Act* (Canada) describes the laws that apply in Nunavut on April 1, 1999. Most of the law of the Northwest Territories, as it read on March 31, 1999, was "duplicated" for Nunavut. In 1998 and 1999 (before April 1), the Legislature for the Northwest Territories made some laws specifically to apply in Nunavut on April 1, 1999.

On this website, you will find a number of different ways to assist you in finding the legislation you are looking for. Because of Nunavut's unique legislative history, you may have to consult the published statutes, regulations and other statutory instruments of the Northwest Territories to determine the current law of Nunavut.

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### **Consolidations of statutes and regulations as they read on April 1, 1999**

These consolidations include all amendments made to the relevant statute or regulation that were in force on April 1, 1999.

These consolidations are not an official statement of the law, but were prepared for the convenience of users. Not all laws are consolidated – the Tables of Public Acts of Nunavut and Nunavut's Tables of Regulations should be consulted to determine whether anything else may be relevant. The consolidations included here are like a snapshot of Nunavut's laws on April 1, 1999.

Some provisions may be omitted from the consolidation, such as provisions that amend or repeal other legislation or coming into force provisions.

If you wish to use these consolidations, make sure that you update your information by following these steps:

#### *For Acts:*

1. Check the most current Tables of Public Acts of Nunavut to see if the Act has been repealed, is spent or has been amended since April 1, 1999;
2. Find out if further legislation has been made after the date of the Tables by checking for new Acts in the current year under Source Law;
3. Check with the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut for bills that have been passed.

#### *For Regulations and other Statutory Instruments:*

1. Check the most current Nunavut Tables of Regulations to see if the regulation or instrument has been repealed, is spent or has been amended since April 1, 1999;
2. Find out if further legislation has been made after the date of the Tables by checking for new regulations or statutory instruments in Part II of the *Nunavut Gazette*;
3. Check with the Regulations Registry for regulations that have been registered since the date of the last *Nunavut Gazette*.

### **Consolidations of statutes and regulations prepared by Legislation Division, Government of Nunavut after April 1, 1999**

Each consolidation has a date on it that it is current to. The consolidation will include all amendments made to that statute or regulation up to the "current to" date, including amendments that are not yet in force.

These consolidations are not an official statement of the law, but are prepared for the convenience of users. Not all laws are consolidated – the Tables of Public Acts of Nunavut and Nunavut's Tables of Regulations should be consulted to determine whether anything else may be relevant.

Some provisions may be omitted from the consolidation, such as provisions that amend or repeal other legislation or coming into force provisions. In respect of consolidations prepared by Legislation Division, Government of Nunavut after April 1, 1999, any omissions are noted on the cover page of the consolidation.

If you wish to use these consolidations, make sure that you update your information by checking for any changes to the legislation in the manner described above.

### **Statutes made by the Legislature for Nunavut (since April 1, 1999)**

These statutes are found under "Source Law". Included are the statutes enacted by the Legislature for Nunavut since April 1, 1999.

### **Tables of Public Acts of Nunavut**

The Tables set out the status of public Acts as of the date specified in them. Included in the Tables is the following information:

Table A	Acts that have been brought in force by order on or after April 1, 1999 and Acts that will come into force on the date specified in the Act
Table B	Acts that have been repealed or are spent after March 31, 1999
Table C	Acts in force on the date specified in the Table, including amendments to Acts
Table D	Acts made for the establishment of Nunavut and Acts replaced or not duplicated for Nunavut

### **Regulations and other statutory instruments made since April 1, 1999**

These regulations and instruments are found under "Nunavut Gazette". Included are the regulations and instruments made under the Acts of Nunavut since April 1, 1999.

### **Nunavut's Tables of Regulations and other Statutory Instruments**

The Tables set out the status of regulations and other statutory instruments as of the date specified on them. Included in the Tables is the following information:

Table A	Regulations that have been repealed after March 31, 1999
Table B	Regulations that are spent after March 31, 1999
Table C	Regulations in force on the date specified in the Table, including amendments to regulations
Table D	Statutory instruments in force on the date specified in the Table, including amendments to statutory instruments
Table E	Regulations removed from Nunavut Tables (found in the Tables for 2003 only)

### **Summaries of the Acts of Nunavut**

These summaries are not an official statement of the law, but are prepared to assist users in generally describing what the various Acts of Nunavut say. They are found under "Summaries".

## GLOSSARY

**Act:** Legislation made by the Legislature for Nunavut.

**Amending Act:** An Act that makes changes to an existing Act.

**Amending regulation:** A regulation that makes changes to an existing regulation.

**Consolidated law or consolidation:** A version of an Act or regulation that includes all changes made to the parent Act or regulation.

**Nunavut Gazette:** An official publication of the Territorial Printer of Nunavut, which is authorized by the *Public Printing Act*. Part I of the *Gazette* contains appointments and notices and Part II contains regulations and other statutory instruments.

**Parent Act:** An Act other than an amending Act.

**Parent regulation:** A regulation other than an amending regulation.

**Regulation:** Legislation made by a body other than the Legislature under powers set out in an Act.

**Revised Regulations of the Northwest Territories, 1990:** The most recent revision of the regulations of the Northwest Territories. A revision has not yet been done for Nunavut's regulations.

**Revised Statutes of the Northwest Territories, 1988:** The most recent revision of the Acts of the Northwest Territories. A revision has not yet been done for Nunavut's Acts.

**Revision:** A revision consolidates all Acts or regulations, and makes certain changes to them (such as renumbering provisions, updating the language used, correcting obvious errors).

**R.R.N.W.T. 1990:** The abbreviation for the Revised Regulations of the Northwest Territories, 1990. Each regulation included in the revision is assigned a chapter number.

**R.S.N.W.T. 1988:** The abbreviation for the Revised Statutes of the Northwest Territories, 1988. Each statute included in the revision is assigned a chapter number.

**S.N.W.T.:** The abbreviation for the Statutes of the Northwest Territories. The Statutes of the Northwest Territories are sorted according to the year in which they are made, and assigned a chapter number.

**S.Nu.:** The abbreviation for the Statutes of Nunavut. The Statutes of Nunavut are sorted according to the year in which they are made, and assigned a chapter number.

**Source law:** An Act as it read at the time the Commissioner of Nunavut assented to it or a regulation as it read at the time it was registered under the *Statutory Instruments Act*.

**Statute:** A published Act.

**Statutory instrument:** An instrument described in subsection 1(1) of the *Statutory Instruments Act*.