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The Petroleum Products Tax Act, 1999

Fuel Tax Rebate Program

(Hunters, Fishers, Trappers, Outfitters, Tourism Operators, Prospectors and Quarrying)

OVERVIEW

Effective April 1, 2006 the Government of Nunavut will allow individuals to obtain a fuel tax rebate for fuel oil or liquid petroleum gas consumed in vehicles engaged in off-road activities such as hunting, fishing, trapping, outfitting, tourism, prospecting and quarrying as defined in this circular. These vehicles include snowmobiles, ATV's, boat motors, motorcycles or licensed vehicles. To qualify the fuel must have been purchased in Nunavut. Taxes paid on fuel used for personal or recreational use are not eligible for the fuel tax rebate.

ELIGIBLE REBATE GROUPS

The following may obtain a Fuel Tax Rebate:

- **Harvester**
 - A person engaged in harvesting activities that include fishing, hunting, trapping and gathering. The Harvester's activities must:
 - Supply a significant amount of food for the community; or
 - The harvester receives at least 25% of their annual gross income from these activities.
- **Outfitter**
 - A person whose business is licensed under the *Wildlife Act* (Nunavut) or the *Travel and Tourism Act* (Nunavut) and is providing outfitting services and activities for a customer that contracts such services.
- **Prospector**
 - A person who engages in mineral exploration and has a license to prospect issued under the Canada Mining Regulations, made under the *Territorial Lands Act (Canada)*
- **Tourism Operator**
 - A person whose business is licensed under the *Tourist Establishment Regulations (Nunavut)* made under the *Travel and Tourism Act* (Nunavut) or the *Wildlife Act* and is providing tourism services and activities for a customer that contracts such services.
- **Quarrying**
 - A person who quarries for rock for the purpose of carving, whether or not the person has a lease under the *Territorial Quarrying Regulations*, made under the *Territorial Lands Act (Canada)*
- **Custom Operations**
 - **Community Organized Hunts**



- A person or group that participates in a community organized hunt or a commercial organized harvest.

REBATE PROCESS

- Effective April 1, 2006 receipts for fuel tax paid on purchases are required for a rebate.
- Fuel Tax Rebates applications can be submitted every 6 months after April 1 2006. Rebate applications can be submitted up to one year after the fuel purchase date.
- Fuel tax rebate cheques will be issued by the Department of Finance in a timely matter providing all documentation is in order.

CURRENT FUEL TAX RATES

Nunavut	Per Litre Rate of Tax
Zone B Gasoline	6.4¢
Diesel Motive	9.1¢
Diesel Non-Motive	3.1¢

FORMS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

A person who receives a rebate of fuel tax is required to keep complete and accurate records of purchases as well as all documentation relating to rebate claims of fuel tax. It is the responsibility of claimants to have documentation to support their claims and the off-road fuel usage factor that is used. These records and documentation are to be retained for four years after the end of the year in which the rebate is paid.

MISUSE OF FUEL TAX REBATE

- Applicants report their total fuel purchases which include fuel purchased within the territory and fuel imported into the territory to GN Department of Finance. If, during the year, an applicant's volume of fuel purchases is significantly more than in previous periods, GN Finance may ask the applicant to provide an explanation for the increased usage. Unless an acceptable reason is provided, the application may be rejected. The applicant will then not qualify for a rebate.
- Claiming for a rebate of fuel tax that was used for an ineligible purpose may result in permanent exclusion from the fuel rebate program. In these instances, the permit holder will be required to pay all applicable taxes, penalties and interest as described in the *Petroleum Products Tax Act* (Nunavut) and its regulations.



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REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS BY NUNAVUT FINANCE

Before GN pays a fuel tax rebate, it must be satisfied that the application is reasonable. All applications may be reviewed and or audited. Additional information may be requested. The GN may, at its discretion, adjust, request re-submission or disallow all or part of any claim.

You may contact the GN Department of Finance at the phone number provided below to obtain an application form or obtain one on the Internet at www.gov.nu.ca/finance. Applications are annual and cover a period between April 1 and March 31. Completed applications must be filed no later than March 31 of the year following the period covered in the application. An eligible applicant may submit two applications per year. Applications and backup information can be mailed to the address provided below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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