

Consumer Protection Branch

Consumer Tip

Consumer Protection Act Part IV

Credit Cards

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Most Saskatchewan consumers have a credit card (i. e. Visa, Mastercard, Sears, Esso, Canadian Tire, etc.). The next time you make a purchase you may wish to consider the following:

- If your credit card is lost or stolen, and you have notified the credit card issuer (i.e. bank, retailer), you are no longer liable for any future use of the credit card by any person other than yourself.
- If someone uses your credit card without your authorization, and you have notified the credit card issuer within 30 days of the first statement issued that shows the charge, you are not liable for that charge.
- The maximum amount you would be liable for from the unauthorized use of a lost or stolen credit card, before the credit card issuer receives notice of







the loss or theft, is the lesser of \$50.00 or the amount set out in the credit card holder agreement.

- Should you decide to surrender your credit card and notify the credit card issuer, (you must follow their instructions for the disposal of your credit card), you will no longer be liable for any future use of the credit card other than for, purchases made by yourself.
- If you are disputing a charge appearing on your credit card, it is the responsibility of the credit card issuer to prove that the charge was incurred by you or someone you authorized to use your credit card.

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