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Shayne Davies Clerk of the Legislative Assembly Province of New Brunswick Fredericton, NB E3B 5H1

Mr. Davies:

Pursuant to subsection 3(1) of the Fees Act, I have the honour to present the 2022 Annual Report on Fees.

Yours truly,

Hon. Ernie L. Steeves

Minister of Finance and Treasury Board

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## Introduction

The *Fees Act* (see **Appendix A**) received Royal assent in the spring of 2008. This legislation, which applies to Part I of the public service, established a transparent process governing fees charged by government departments.

It requires detailed information to be made public on all upcoming fee increases and all new fees at least 60 days before implementation by government departments.

The Act also specifies that, by January 31st each year, the Minister of Finance and Treasury Board must file a document containing such information with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. The 2022 document contains detailed information regarding fee changes and/or new fees planned by government departments for the upcoming fiscal year of 2022-2023.

The report also includes information such as the legal authority to charge each fee, the current fee amount, the new fee amount, effective date of the change, revenue details, and departmental contact information.

The first section in the 2022 Annual Report summarizes fee changes and/or new fees approved by Treasury Board since publication of the 2021 Annual Report.

The second section summarizes upcoming fee changes and/or new fees approved by Treasury Board for the fiscal year 2022-2023. In keeping with the requirement of 60-day minimum notice to the public, none of these fees will take effect until at least April 1, 2022. It is recommended that the effective dates specified in this report be verified with the respective departments as they may be extended following the publication of this report.

It should be noted that the *Fees Act* does allow a department to create or increase fees *during* the upcoming fiscal year. If this occurs, the individual department will file a document with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly containing the same type of details as are included in this report. The fee change is also subject to the requirement of a minimum 60-day notice to the public.

If there are any mid-year changes, the details of these single filings will be summarized and published in the 2023 report on fees. This compilation will maintain accuracy and transparency concerning fees.

## **How to Read this Report**

Section 3(2) of the *Fees Act* requires this *Annual Report on Fees* to present the following information for new and increased fees proposed for the next fiscal year:

- (a) the name of the department that proposed the fee;
- (b) the name of the fee;
- (c) the legislative authority for the fee;
- (d) the amount of the current fee, if any;
- (e) the amount of the new fee or the increased fee;
- (f) the effective date for the new fee or the increased fee;
- (g) the total annual revenue expected from the fee;
- (h) the change in the annual revenue expected from the fee; and
- (i) the name of the contact person.

In this report, the above information is presented in the following format:

Department Name  Contact: Name, Telephone Number (506)	Name of the fee  Name of the Act  Regulation Number
Current Fee: \$X Proposed Fee: \$Y Effective Date: Month, Day, Year	New Annual Revenue Estimate: \$AA,AAA Change in Annual Revenue: \$B,BBB
Comments:	

Readers should note that "New Annual Revenue Estimate" presents the total expected revenue from the fee at the proposed or increased rate for the upcoming fiscal year. "Change in Annual Revenue" indicates how much additional annual revenue is expected per fiscal year from the new fee rate, as opposed to the prior rate.

While the Minister of Finance and Treasury Board is responsible to file this document each January with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, information about particular fees should always be obtained from the specific departments and contacts listed in the description of each fee.

This document, and future editions, will be posted in the Publications section of the Finance and Treasury Board department's website at http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/finance/publications.html

General information about fees charged by all government departments is available on the government's web-based Directory of Services. This directory is located at http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/services.html (Key word: fees)

# FEE CHANGES TAKING EFFECT BEFORE APRIL 1, 2022 (ALREADY PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED)

# **Justice and Public Safety**

Justice and Public Safety  Contact: Dan MacLean, (506) 238-4693		Lottery Scheme Licence Fees Gaming Control Act New Regulation	
Current Fee:	See schedule	New Annual Revenue Estimate:	\$102,640
Proposed Fee:	See schedule	Change in Annual Revenue:	\$63,915
Effective Date:	September 1, 2021		
Comments: The fees will partially cover the cost of administering the program			

		Schedule		
Lottery Scheme Licence/ Supplier Registration	Current Fees	Proposed Fees	New Annual Revenue Estimate	Change in Annual Revenue
Raffle Licence Prize Value				
<ul> <li>is in excess of \$500 per licensing period</li> </ul>	\$25	\$50	\$55,300	\$27,650
- is \$500 or less per licensing period	No fee	\$20	\$20,240	\$20,240
Chase the Ace Licence	\$25	\$50	Included with raffle count	
Bingo Licence where the prize value				
<ul> <li>is in excess of \$500 per licensing period</li> </ul>	\$25	\$50	\$10,100	\$5,050
- is \$500 or less per licensing period	No fee	\$20	Included with permit count	
Giant Bingo Licence	\$25	\$50	\$200	\$100
Bingo Event Break Open Licence	\$10	\$20	\$720	\$360
Break Open Ticket Licence	\$10	\$20	\$380	\$190
Monte Carlo Prize Value where prize value				
- is in excess of \$500 per event	\$25	\$50	\$250	\$125
– is \$500 or less per event	No fee	\$20	Included in permit count	
Charitable Texas Hold'em Licence	\$50 (every 3 months)	\$100 (1 year)	\$2,300	-\$2,300
Bingo Gaming Supplier Registration				
- Independent Agent	\$50 (1 year)	\$100 (2 years)	\$50	N/A
– Manufacturer	\$200 (1 year)	\$400 (2 years)	\$200	N/A
– Distributor	\$200 (1 year)	\$400 (2 years)	\$200	N/A
– Manufacturer / Distributor	\$200 (1 year)	\$400 (2 years)	\$200	N/A
Computer-aided Gaming Supplier Registration		\$5,000 (2 years)	\$12,500	\$12,500

## Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries

Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries  Contact: Kathy Brewer-Dalton, (506) 440-0179		Aquaculture fees Aquaculture Act New General Regulation
Current Fee:	See Schedule	New Annual Revenue Estimate:
Proposed Fee:	See Schedule	2022-2023: \$621,900
Effective Date:	July 1, 2022	2023-2024: \$671,900
* Rental rates, for existing leases will only come into effect on April 1, 2023.		Change in Annual Revenue:
		2022-2023: \$71,900
		2023-2024: \$121,900

**Comments:** The current fees have not been increased since 1991. The proposed fee structure is based on the administrative effort required to process various authorizations.

Fee for licence	Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change	
LEASES AND PERMITS – FEES				
Designation of aquaculture Land	N/A	\$500	\$500	
Application for lease	\$10	\$2,400	\$2,390	
Application for lease amend, renew, transfer				
– Amendment	N/A	\$2,400	\$2,400	
– Renewal	N/A	\$450	\$450	
– Transfer	N/A	\$575	\$575	
Application for permit	\$10	\$2,400	\$2,390	
Application for permit amend or renew				
– Amendment	N/A	\$2,400	\$2,400	
– Renewal	N/A	\$450	\$450	
·	LICENC	CES - FEES		
Application for a licence				
– Marine	\$10	\$450	\$440	
- Inland	\$10	\$600	\$590	
Application to amend a licence				
– Marine	\$10	\$450	\$440	
– Inland	\$10	\$600	\$590	
Application to renew a licence				
– Marine	\$20	\$450	\$430	
- Inland	\$20	\$600	\$580	
Annual Licence Fee				
– Commercial	\$50	\$100	\$50	
– Scientific	\$20	\$100	\$80	
Application to reinstate a licence	N/A	\$250	\$250	

LEASES / PERMIT RENT				
Lease - Marine Finfish	\$250/ha	\$250/ha	N/A	
Lease - Shellfish	\$20/ha Min. \$100	\$20/ha Min. \$200	Min. \$100	
Permit Marine Finfish	\$100	\$250/ha	N/A	
Permit - Shellfish	\$100	\$20/ha Min. \$200	Min. \$100	

Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries  Contact: Neil Jacobson (506)461-5578	Veterinary Services Regulation Financial Administration Act Regulation 86-32	
Current Fee: See schedule Proposed Fee: See schedule Effective Date: April 1, 2022	New Annual Revenue Estimate: \$4,247,000 for 2022-2023  Change in Annual Revenue: \$95,267 increase from \$4,151,733 budgeted in 2021-2022	
<b>Comments:</b> To establish increased fees relative to the services provided by provincial veterinarians.		

Schedule Veterinary Services Regulation					
			Propos	ed Fees	
Fee	Current Fee	2022 - 2023	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025	2025 - 2026
Site visit – Food and Fur	\$72.08	\$76.40	\$80.99	\$85.85	\$91.00
Site visit - Equine	\$83.74	\$88.76	\$94.09	\$99.74	\$105.72
Hourly Fee – Food and Fur	\$101.76	\$107.88	\$114.32	\$121.20	\$128.48
Hourly Fee - Equine	\$208.08	\$212.24	\$216.48	\$220.80	\$225.24
Overtime Fee – Food and Fur and Equine	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$85.00

## **Environment and Local Government**

Environment and Local Government  Contact: Mike Cormier, (506) 453-7945	Beverage Container Handling Fees Beverage Containers Act General Regulation 99-66
Current Fee: See schedule Proposed Fee: See schedule Effective Date: April 1, 2022	New Annual Revenue Estimate: N/A* Change in Annual Revenue: N/A*
<b>Comments</b> : Existing fees will increase by 11.8%. *Handling fees are paid directly to the redemption ce	ntres and therefore will not increase revenue to the Province.

Schedule General Regulation									
Fee or licence Current Fee Proposed Fee									
Container Type	Container Type								
Recyclable	\$0.04368	\$0.04883							
Refillable	\$0.03120	\$0.03488							

Fee to Replace a Lost Dog Licence Tag  Municipalities Act  Regulation 84-85			

**Comments**: \*Revenue collected from this fee is estimated to increase from \$75 to \$125 annually, but will not increase revenue to the Province as it will be deposited into the Animal Protection Account for use by the New Brunswick Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

## Natural Resources and Energy Development

Natural Resources and Energy Development  Contact: Allen Bard, (506) 238-4051	Proprietary Fees (Lease Rentals) Crown Lands and Forests Act Regulation 2009-62			
Current Fees: See Schedule B	New Annual Revenue Estimate: \$4,504,000			
Proposed Fees: See Schedule B	(includes Schedule B and C)			
Effective Date: April 1, 2022	Change in Annual Revenue: \$1,227,000			
	(includes Schedule B and C)			

**Comments**: (**Schedules B**) Adjust regulated Lease rents and establish new rent categories for the use of Crown lands that reflect the market values of Crown lands dispositions and provide an appropriate rate of return (ROR) for exclusive land use rights and interests to use public land.

NOTE: This fee has already been publicly announced. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the regulatory amendments to increase Crown rents which were scheduled to be effective April 1, 2020, were delayed until April 1, 2022.

#### LAR Schedules B & C Proposed Regulatory Provisions - Current and Proposed Lease and Licence of Occupation Rent **Formula Actual Calculated** Minimum Rent -Waterfront Current Anything under 1 **Proposed Lease Class Current LAR Minimum** Minimum **Rationale** (WF) **Proposed Rent** acre or 0.404686 ha Standard Non WF \$160 Standard lease rental is \$400 The current \$400 ha Rent x \$320 based on establishing standard $\sqrt{0.4}$ a market value for rent formula the area of land to be overvalues Standard lease small rental (SLR) = parcels and Market value is based for the first 10 undervalues on the following five hectares of lands large parcels. area values: + \$29/ha for all 1. 0.40 ha / 1 acre = lands in excess of \$4,000 10 hectares 2. 10 ha / 25 acres = \$16,000 3. 30 ha / 74 acres = \$35,000 4. 60 ha / 148 acres = \$60,000 5. 600.15 ha / 1483 acres = \$410,000

LAR Sched	lules B & C I	Proposed Regulate	ory Provisi	ons - Current and Propose	d Lease ar	nd Licence of Occ	
Lease Class	Waterfront (WF)	Current LAR	Current Minimum	Proposed Rent	Proposed Minimum	Rationale	Actual Calculated Minimum Rent - Anything under 1 acre or 0.404686 ha
Standard Rent	Non WF	Standard lease rental (SLR) = for the first 10 hectares of lands + \$29/ ha for all lands in excess of 10 hectares	\$160	Standard lease rental is calculated using the following straight-line formula  1. For leases with a land area less than 10ha/25 acres, the formula is: (1 acre Market Value + (\$ increase per acre x (Land area leased – 1 acre))) x 10%  *Note: \$ increase per acre = (Market value of a 25-acre upland parcel – Market value of a 1-acre upland parcel) divided by (25 acres – 1 acre).	\$400	In the interest of the Department aligning more with market industry practices and to have a rent approach that is more transparent.  Standard lease rent will now be based on a simple straightline calculation with a rate of return of 10%.	\$400
Standard Rent	Non WF	$\left(\sqrt{\frac{ha}{0.4}} \times \$320\right)$ Standard lease rental (SLR) = for the first 10 hectares of lands + \$29/ ha for all lands in excess of 10 hectares	\$160	2. For leases with a land area equal to or greater than 10ha/25 acres and less than 30 ha/74 acres, the formula is: Rent = (25 acre Market value + (\$ increase per acre x (Land area leased – 25 acres))) x 10%  *Note: \$ increase per acre = (Market value of a 74-acre upland parcel – Market value of a 25-acre upland parcel) divided by (74 acres – 25 acres).	\$400		\$400
Standard Rent	Non WF	$\left(\sqrt{\frac{ha}{0.4}} \times \$320\right)$ Standard lease rental (SLR) = for the first 10 hectares of lands + \$29/ha for all lands in excess of 10 ha	\$160	3. For leases with a land area equal to or greater than 30 ha / 74 acres and less than 60 ha / 148 acres, the formula is: Rent = (74 acre Market Value + (\$ increase per acre x (Land area leased – 74 acres))) x 10%  *Note: \$ increase per acre = (Market Value of a 148 acre upland parcel – Market Value of a 74 acre upland parcel + (148 acre – 74 acre)	\$400		\$400
Standard Rent	Non WF	$\left(\sqrt{\frac{ha}{0.4}} \times \$320\right)$ Standard lease rental (SLR) = for the first 10 hectares of lands + \$29/ha for all lands in excess of 10 ha	\$160	4. For leases with a land area equal to or greater than 60 ha / 148 acres and less than or equal to 600 ha/1483 acres, the formula is: Rent = (148 acre Market value + (\$ increase per acre x (Land area leased – 148 acres))) x 10%  *Note: \$ increase per acre = (Market value of a 1483-acre upland parcel – Market value of a 148-acre upland parcel) divided by (1483 acres – 148 acres).	\$400		\$400

LAR Sched	LAR Schedules B & C Proposed Regulatory Provisions - Current and Proposed Lease and Licence of Occupation Rents									
Lease Class	Waterfront (WF)	Current LAR	Current Minimum	Proposed Rent	Proposed Minimum	Rationale	Actual Calculated Minimum Rent - Anything under 1 acre or 0.404686 ha			
Standard Rent	Non WF	$\left(\sqrt{\frac{ha}{0.4}} \times \$320\right)$ Standard lease rental (SLR) = for the first 10 hectares of lands + \$29/ha for all lands in excess of 10 ha	\$160	5. For leases with a land area greater than 600 ha / 1483 acres, the formula is: Rent = \$ increase per acre x Land Area leased x 10%  *Note: \$ increase per acre = Market value of a 1483-acre upland parcel divided by 1483 acres (rounded to nearest dollar).	\$400		\$400			

Lease Class	Waterfront (WF)	Current LAR	Current Minimum	Proposed Rent	Proposed Minimum	Rationale	Actual Calculated Minimum Rent - Anything under 1 acre or 0.404686 ha
Waterfront - General	WF	2 x Standard Lease Rent (SLR)	\$320	2 x Standard Rent (SR)	\$800	Historical market valuation of waterfront properties has determined that waterfront properties are at least 2 times the upland equivalent.	\$800
Institutional	Non WF	10% x SLR	\$100	10% x SR	\$250	Discounted rents are maintained to recognize and assist those who	\$250
	WF	20% x SLR	\$100	20% x SR	\$250	provide a public good (e.g. charities, municipalities).	\$250
Municipal	Non WF	10% x SLR	\$100	10% x SR	\$250	Discounted rents are maintained to recognize and assist those who provide a public good (e.g. charities, municipalities).	\$250
	WF	20% x SLR	\$100	20% x SR	\$250		\$250
Maple sugary - value added	WF or Non WF	50% x SLR	-	50% x SR	\$400	The wording "value- added" has been removed	\$400
Maple sugary – non-valued added	WF or Non WF	80% x SLR		50% x SR		from the definition for maple sugary leases, to simplify the rent structure and continue to give maple sugaries rent reduction to support the industry; this definition was restrictive and outdated.	
Non-fibre forestry	WF or Non WF	50% x SLR	-	50% x SR	\$400	Other non-fibre forestry leases will follow the same rationale as maple sugary.	\$400
Trail	WF or Non WF	\$2 x trail km	\$100	\$2 x trail km	\$250	Other than the change associated with the minimum rent, no changes for this category.	\$250
Submerged	-	SLR	\$160	SR	\$400	Other than the change associated with the minimum rent, no changes for this category.	\$400

LAR Schedule B Proposed Regulatory Provisions - Current and Proposed Lease Rents								
Lease Class	Waterfront (WF)	Current LAR	Current Minimum	Proposed Rent	Proposed Minimum	Rationale	Actual Calculated Minimum Rent - Anything under 1 acre or 0.404686 ha	
Affiliated angling	WF	2 x SLR	\$320	2 x 10.5% of Market Value	\$840	Affiliated angling lease represents a unique waterfront lease whose rate of return has a range of 9.0-10.5%. Instead of applying the standard rental rate of return of 10%, the upper end of 10.5% is chosen in recognition of the unique waterfront.	\$840	
Erosion control structure	WF or Non WF	SLR	\$160	SR	\$400	Other than the change associated with the minimum rent, no changes for this category	\$400	
Electrical generation	WF or Non WF	$(\sqrt{\frac{\hbar a}{0.4}} \times \$640) \div (\$3,500 \times B)$ where B = sum of all turbine name plate capacities in megawatts	-	(2 x 11% of Market Value) + \$4,250 x B B = sum, in megawatts, of the name plate capacities of all installed turbines	\$5,130	A rate of return of 11% will be applied to reflect the nature of the lease type and capitalize on compensation.	\$5,130	
Commercial Communication Towers	WF or Non WF	defaults to SLR	-	If 5 ha or less: \$1750 x area or If over 5 ha: (\$1750 x 5 ha) + SR for (area - 5 ha)	\$1,750	Commercial communication towers is a new separate category with a new rent consistent with private practices.	\$1,750	
All other communication towers	WF or Non WF	defaults to SLR	-	SR	\$400	Other communication towers is a new separate category with a new rent consistent with market valuation. This category is for agencies who need leases for emergency services or for non-profit/public purposes (e.g. CBC).	\$400	
Industrial, Commercial,	WF	defaults to SLR	-	2 x 10.5% of Market Value	\$840	This is a new proposed class of lease A rate of	\$880	
Utility, Transportation	Non WF	default to SLR	-	10.5% of Market Value	\$420	return of 10.5% will be applied. Waterfront leases pay double.	\$440	

Natural Resources and Energy Development  Contact: Allen Bard, (506) 238-4051	Proprietary Fees (Licence Rentals) Crown Lands and Forests Act Regulation 2009-62
Current Fees: See Schedule C	New Annual Revenue Estimate: \$4,504,000
Proposed Fees: See Schedule C	(includes Schedule B and C)
Effective Date: April 1, 2022	<b>Change in Annual Revenue</b> : \$1,227,000
	(includes Schedule B and C)

**Comments: Schedule C**: Adjust regulated Licence of Occupation rents and establish new rent categories for the use of Crown lands that reflect the market values of Crown lands dispositions and provide an appropriate rate of return (ROR) for land use rights and interests to use public land.

NOTE: This fee has already been publicly announced. Due4 to the COVID-19 pandemic, the regulatory amendments to increase Crown rents which were scheduled to be effective April 1, 2020, were delayed until April 1, 2022.

LAR Sched	LAR Schedule C Proposed Regulatory Provisions - Current and Proposed Licence of Occupation Rents								
Licence of Occupation Class	Waterfront (WF)	Current LAR	Current Minimum	Proposed Rent	Proposed Minimum	Rationale	Actual Minimum Rent - Anything under 1 acre or 0.404686 ha		
Standard licence rental	-	50% x SLR (Standard Lease Rent)	\$80	50% x SR (Standard Rent)	\$200	For licences, current LAR applies a rental rate of 50% of standard lease rental to recognize that a licence does not have the same rights as a lease. Discounts or adjustments are made depending on certain licence classes.	\$200		
General	WF	SLR	\$160	SR	\$400		\$400		
Institutional	Non WF	5% x SLR	\$50	5% x SR	\$125		\$125		
	WF	10% x SLR	\$100	10% x SR	\$125		\$125		
Municipal	Non WF	5% x SLR	\$50	5% x SR	\$125		\$125		
	WF	10% x SLR	\$100	10% x SR	\$125		\$125		

Sch	Schedule C Proposed Regulatory Provisions - Current and Proposed Licence of Occupation Rents							
Licence Class	Waterfront (WF)	Current LAR	Current Minimum	Proposed Rent	Proposed Minimum	Rational	le	Actual Calculated Minimum Rent - Anything under 1 acre or 0.404686 ha
Wind - exploration	-	\$1/ha + \$640 per test device and a \$3/ha additional fee for an option agreement	-	a) No lease option: (\$1 x area) + (\$800 x DeviceCount) b) With lease option: (\$4 x area) + (\$800 x DeviceCount) >> DeviceCount = number of test devices	\$800	Rent remains sa except for minir a clearer differe between with a without option. Remove the wor agreement "and agreement" frod current provision	mum and entiation and ard option m the	\$800
Trail	WF or Non WF	\$2 x trail km	\$100	\$2 x trail km	\$250			\$250
Submerged	WF	50% x SR	\$80	50% x SR	\$200			\$200
Rockweed harvest/ extraction/ taking		\$500	-	\$500	-			\$500
Signs	-	\$500 x # of signs	\$500	\$500 x # of signs	\$500			\$500
Annual Revenues from Rents		ents	Current		Projected		Total Incr	ease
Schedules B &	C		\$3,277,00	0	\$4,504,0	00	\$1,227,000	

## Tourism, Heritage and Culture

		Entry Fees for Hopewell Rocks Parks Act			
Contact: Steve H	arris, (506) 478-4176	General Regulation 85-104			
Current Fee:	See Below	New Annual Revenue Estimate:			
Proposed Fee:	See Below	2022-2023: \$2,656,472			
Effective Date:	April 1, 2022	2023-2024: \$2,996,851			
		2024-2025: \$3,156,470			
		Change in Annual Revenue:			
		2022-2023: \$896,651			
		2023-2024: \$1,237,030			
		2024-2025: \$1,396,649			

**Comments:** Hopewell Rocks is a unique experience with little to compare it to. An analysis of the costs to operate Hopewell Rocks identified that the cost of operating the Attraction was 26% higher than average revenues from entry fees (prepandemic). THC proposes that this gap be eliminated over the next two years followed by a third year of a cost of living increase. Hopewell Rocks are part of a Special Operating Agency in which all revenues are retained to be used for operating and capital budgets.

Entry Fees for Hopewell Rocks									
Fee or licence	Current Fee	Proposed Fee 2022-2023	Proposed Fee 2023-2024	Proposed Fee 2024-2025					
Children 4 years of age or under	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Children 5 to 18 years of age	\$6.96	\$8.00	\$8.88	\$9.06					
Adults 19 to 64 years of age	\$12.17	\$14.00	\$15.54	\$15.85					
Students 19 years of age or over with a valid student card	\$10.43	\$12.00	\$13.32	\$13.59					
Senior citizens	\$7.82	\$12.00	\$13.32	\$13.59					
Per family	\$30.43	\$35.00	\$38.85	\$39.63					
Fully Independent Travelers per person	\$10.43	\$11.20	\$12.43	\$12.68					
Fully Independent Travelers per family	\$27.83	\$28.00	\$31.08	\$31.70					
Groups of 15 or more students in kindergarten to grade 12	\$4.35	\$5.00	\$5.75	\$5.87					
Driver of bus	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Teacher per 10 students	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
15 or more persons in a bus tour with a reservation	\$6.96	\$8.59	\$10.49	\$12.68					
15 or more persons in a bus tour without a reservation	\$8.70	\$10.55	\$12.40	\$14.27					
Driver of bus	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
One tour guide per bus	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Season Passes per person	\$34.78	\$40.00	\$44.40	\$45.29					
Season Passes per family	\$78.26	\$65.00	\$72.15	\$73.59					
Corporate rates	\$10.43	\$12.00	\$13.32	\$13.59					

Tourism, Heritage and Culture		Entry Fees for Le Village Historique Acadien Parks Act		
<b>Contact:</b> Steve Harris, (506) 478-4176		General Regulation 85-104		
Current Fee:	See Below	New Annual Revenue Estimate:		
Proposed Fee:	See Below	2022-2023: \$462,933		
Effective Date:	April 1, 2022	2023-2024: \$472,192		
		2024-2025: \$481,635		
		Change in Annual Revenue:		
		2022-2023: \$45,609		
		2023-2024: \$54,868		
		2024-2025: \$64,311		

**Comments:** Le Village is comparable with attractions such as Kings Landing. Only small cost of living increases are proposed for Le Village. This will maintain cost recovery, keep fees similar to Kings Landing and encourage more visitation.

Entry Fees for Le Village Historique Acadien					
Fee or licence	Current Fee	Proposed Fee 2022-2023	Proposed Fee 2023-2024	Proposed Fee 2024-2025	
Single day for youth 5 to 18 years of age and students 19 years of age and over with student cards.	\$13.91	\$14.35	\$14.64	\$14.93	
Single day for adults 19 to 64 years of age	\$19.13	\$19.57	\$19.96	\$20.36	
Single day for adults 65 years of age and over	\$14.78	\$15.22	\$15.52	\$15.83	
Groups of 15 or more youth aged 5 to 18 years of age with student cards.	\$4.35	\$4.43	\$4.52	\$4.61	
Groups of 15 or more for adults 19 to 64 years of age	\$17.39	\$17.78	\$18.14	\$18.50	
Groups of 15 or more for adults 65 years of age and over	\$13.43	\$13.83	\$14.11	\$14.39	
Corporate rates	\$14.17	\$15.05	\$15.35	\$15.66	
Fully Independent Traveler per person aged 5 and over	\$14.17	\$15.05	\$15.35	\$15.66	
Single entry family pass	\$41.45	\$42.57	\$43.43	\$44.29	
Family pass with corporate rate voucher	\$27.83	\$28.38	\$28.95	\$29.53	
Fully Independent Traveler Family Pass	\$27.83	\$28.38	\$28.95	\$29.53	
Season Pass person 5 to 64 years of age	\$41.74	\$41.74	\$42.57	\$43.43	
Season Pass senior accompanied by one guest	\$47.83	\$47.83	\$48.79	\$49.76	
Season Pass - family	\$71.30	\$71.30	\$72.73	\$74.18	
Single day admission education program including group photo	\$36.52	\$37.25	\$38.00	\$38.76	

Tourism, Heritage and Culture		Marina Fees Parks Act
<b>Contact:</b> Steve Harris, (506) 478-4176		General Regulation 85-104
Current Fee:	See Below	New Annual Revenue Estimate:
Proposed Fee:	See Below	2022-2023: \$13,378
Effective Date:	April 1, 2022	2023-2024: \$13,646
		2024-2025: \$13,981
		Change in Annual Revenue:
		2022-2023: \$1,666
		2023-2024: \$2,269
		2024-2025: \$2,206

**Comments**: Marina fees have not been increased since 2016 and the proposed increases will improve cost recovery. After the initial increase in year one, years two and three are proposed to be in line with the average increase in the consumer price index of 2%.

Marina Fees					
Fee or licence	Current Fee	Proposed Fee 2022-2023	Proposed Fee 2023-2024	Proposed Fee 2024-2025	
For the use of moorings					
Per week	\$34.78	\$55.00	\$56.10	\$57.22	
Per month	\$78.26	\$100.00	\$102.00	\$104.40	
Per Season	\$282.60	\$375.00	\$382.50	\$390.15	
For storage in a compound per season	\$282.60	\$325.00	\$331.50	\$338.13	
For dock space per season	\$456.62	\$615.00	\$627.30	\$639.84	

Tourism, Heritage and Culture		Daily and Monthly Camping Fees Parks Act	
<b>Contact:</b> Steve Harris, (506) 478-4176		General Regulation 85-104	
Current Fee:	See Below	New Annual Revenue Estimate:	
Proposed Fee:	See Below	2022-2023: \$191,875.00	
Effective Date:	April 1, 2022	2023-2024: \$193,822.50	
		2024-2025: \$195,808.95	
		Change in Annual Revenue:	
		2022-2023: \$135,857.90	
		2023-2024: \$137,805.40	
		2024-2025: \$139,791.82	

**Comments**: The provision of a 50 amp hook-up to a campsite is a significant upgrade that owners of larger recreational vehicles are seeking. It is being introduced to the République Provincial Park for the 2022 season. There isn't currently a fee for this enhanced service. It is anticipated that this will significantly increase electricity usage which is reflected in the proposed fee. Other parks will have site upgrades for 2023 and these will be added in due course.

The fees for cabin rental at Mount Carleton Provincial Park have not been increased since 2016. It is proposed to increase these fees to improve cost recovery and to align with other cabins in the region.

Daily and Monthly Camping Fees					
Fee or licence	Current Fee	Proposed Fee 2022-2023	Proposed Fee 2023-2024	Proposed Fee 2024-2025	
Site with electricity (50amp), water and sewerage per night	n/a	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	
Site with electricity (50amp), water and sewerage monthly	n/a	\$1,480.00	\$1,480.00	\$1,480.00	
Bathurst Lake - Beaver (4) (per day)	\$52.17	\$100.00	\$102.00	\$104.00	
Bathurst Lake - Porcupine (4) (per day)	\$52.17	\$100.00	\$102.00	\$104.00	
Bathurst Lake - Raccoon (6) (per day)	\$78.26	\$150.00	\$153.00	\$156.00	
Bathurst Lake - Otter (8) (per day)	\$86.96	\$200.00	\$204.00	\$208.00	
Bathurst Lake - Bear (11) (per day)	\$104.35	\$275.00	\$280.50	\$286.00	
Nictau Lake - Spruce (12) (per day)	\$130.43	\$300.00	\$306.00	\$312.00	
Nictau Lake - Maple (9) (per day)	\$113.04	\$225.00	\$229.50	\$234.00	
Nictau Lake - Cedar (3) (per day)	\$86.96	\$75.00	\$76.50	\$78.00	
Nictau Lake - Fir (6) (per day)	\$95.65	\$150.00	\$153.00	\$156.00	
Nictau Lake - Pine (2) (per day)	\$52.17	\$50.00	\$51.00	\$52.00	
Nictau Lake - Ash (3) (per day)	\$86.96	\$75.00	\$76.50	\$78.00	
Bathurst Lake - Beaver (4) (per week)	\$295.65	\$500.00	\$510.00	\$520.00	
Bathurst Lake - Porcupine (4) (per week)	\$295.65	\$500.00	\$510.00	\$520.00	
Bathurst Lake - Raccoon (6) (per week)	\$434.78	\$750.00	\$765.00	\$780.00	
Bathurst Lake - Otter (8) (per week)	\$486.96	\$1,000.00	\$1,020.00	\$1,040.00	
Bathurst Lake - Bear (11) (per week)	\$582.61	\$1,375.00	\$1,402.50	\$1,431.00	
Nictau Lake - Spruce (12) (per week)	\$730.43	\$1,500.00	\$1,530.00	\$1,561.00	
Nictau Lake - Maple (9) (per week)	\$634.78	\$1,125.00	\$1,147.50	\$1,170.00	
Nictau Lake - Cedar (3) (per week)	\$486.96	\$375.00	\$382.50	\$390.00	
Nictau Lake - Fir (6) (per week)	\$539.13	\$750.00	\$765.00	\$780.00	
Nictau Lake - Pine (2) (per week)	\$295.65	\$250.00	\$255.00	\$260.00	
Nictau Lake - Ash (3) (per week)	\$486.96	\$375.00	\$382.50	\$390.00	

## Appendix A

2011, c.158 Fees Act

Deposited May 13, 2011

#### **Definitions**

**1** The following definitions apply in this Act.

"department" means a portion of the Public Service specified in Part 1 of the First Schedule of the Public Service Labour Relations Act.(ministère)

"**fee**" means a fee, levy, royalty or other charge fixed by regulation under the authority of a public Act of the Province.(*droit*)

2008, c.F-8.5, s.1.

#### **Application**

**2** This Act applies to all fees proposed by departments.

2008, c.F-8.5, s.2.

#### **Annual report on fees**

- **3**(1) On or before January 31 in each fiscal year, the Minister of Finance shall file an annual report on fees with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
- **3**(2)The annual report shall contain the following information for every new fee and increase in a fee proposed for the next fiscal year:
  - (a) the name of the department that proposed the fee;
  - (b) the name of the fee;
  - (c) the legislative authority for the fee;
  - (d) the amount of the current fee, if any;
  - (e) the amount of the new fee or the increased fee;
  - (f) the effective date for the new fee or the increased fee;
  - (g) the total annual revenue expected from the fee;
  - (h) the change in the annual revenue expected from the fee; and
  - (i) the name of the contact person.
- **3**(3)The effective date for a new fee or an increased fee shall be not less than 60 days after the annual report is filed.

**3**(4) The annual report shall also contain information regarding the fees introduced, changed or eliminated since the previous annual report.

2008, c.F-8.5, s.3. 2019, c.29, s.57

#### Other reports on fees

**4**(1) If a new fee or an increase in a fee is proposed during a fiscal year and the fee is not included in the annual report referred to in subsection 3(1), the Minister responsible for the Act that authorizes the fee shall file a report with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly at least 60 days before the effective date for the new fee or the increased fee.

**4**(2) The report shall contain the information referred to in subsection 3(2).

2008, s.F-8.5, s.4.

**N.B**. This Act was proclaimed and came into force September 1, 2011.

**N.B.** This Act is consolidated to December 20, 2019.