



EXECUTIVE & INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

NUNAVUT ACTS DESIGNATION POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT

The Government of Nunavut is committed to a government that is fair, transparent, and is reflective of Inuit societal values.

The Nunavut Acts Designation Policy designates departments and ministers responsible for Acts in Nunavut.

PRINCIPLES

This policy is based on the following principles:

- The Government of Nunavut is committed to being an open, responsive, and accountable government.

APPLICATION

This policy applies to all departments and agencies of the Government of Nunavut.

DEFINITIONS

Act: A statute that has received assent from the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut.

List of Act Responsibilities: A comprehensive list of current acts, which designates the lead and support responsibilities for each.

Lead: Is a department or agency of the Government of Nunavut or the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut who has the primary responsibility for an act.

Support: is a department or agency of the Government of Nunavut or the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut who has certain responsibilities under an Act but does not have lead responsibility for the legislation.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Cabinet will review the designations of all acts at the beginning of each new government and may review them at other times as desired.

Ministers are the legally responsible actors designated under territorial Acts, unless otherwise stated in the Act.

The Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs is responsible for administration of this policy.

The Department of Justice advises on the assignment of act responsibilities.

PROVISIONS

Many acts in Nunavut do not stipulate which minister, department or agency is responsible for their implementation.

In order to support transparency, Cabinet will review and approve the List of Act Responsibilities included in the appendix.

Unless otherwise indicated, the lead is the department or agency as well as the Minister responsible for implementing the act and bringing forward legislative changes.

PREROGATIVE OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Nothing in this directive shall in any way be construed to limit the prerogative of Executive Council to make decisions or take action respecting the assignment of responsibilities for Acts of the Government of Nunavut, outside the provisions of this policy.

SUNSET

This Policy will be effective from the date of approval until December 31, 2025.

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Lead	Act	Additional Information
Family Services	Aboriginal Custom Adoption Recognition Act	
EIA	Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act	The Legislative Assembly appoints the Information and Privacy Commissioner and provides oversight.
Family Services	Adoption Act	
Justice	Age of Majority Act	
EDT	All-Terrain Vehicle Act	
Family Services	Apprenticeship and Certification Act	Not in force
Family Services	Apprenticeship, Trade and Occupations Certification Act	
Finance	Appropriation Acts (various years)	
Justice	Arbitration Act	
Culture & Heritage	Archives Act	
CGS	Area Development Act	
Finance	Beneficiaries Designation Act (Retirement, Savings and Other Plans)	
Health	Boards of Management Dissolution Act	
CGS	Boilers and Pressure Vessels Act	
Finance	Borrowing Authorization Act	
CGS	Building Code Act	
Justice	Business Corporations Act	
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Health	Camps Health Services Act	
Finance	Cannabis Act	
Justice	Change of Name Act	Health responsible for names under vital statistics.
Finance	Chartered Professional Accountants Act	
Family Services	Child and Family Services Act	
Education	Child Day Care Act	
Justice	Children's Law Act	
Justice	Choses in Action Act	
CGS	Cities, Towns And Villages Act	
Family Services	Collaboration on Poverty Reduction Act	
Justice	Commercial Tenancies Act	
CGS	Commissioner's Land Act	
Justice	Condominium Act	
CGS	Conflict of Interest Act	

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Justice	Contributory Negligence Act	
Justice	Co-operative Associations Act	EDT is responsible for sections of the act concerning the Supervisor of Co-operatives.
Justice	Coroners Act	
Justice	Corrections Act	
Finance	Credit Union Act	
Justice	Creditors Relief Act	
CGS	Curfew Act	
Justice	Defamation Act	
Health	Dental Auxiliaries Act	
Health	Dental Mechanics Act	
Health	Dental Profession Act	
Justice	Department of Justice Act	
Justice	Dependants Relief Act	
Justice	Devolution of Real Property Act	
Education	Divisional Education Councils Dissolution Act	
CGS	Dog Act	
Health	Donation of Food Act	
Education	Education Act	
CGS	Electrical Protection Act	
Justice	Electronic Commerce Act	
CGS	Emergency Measures Act	
Health	Emergency Medical Aid Act	
CGS	Employment Agencies Act	
Justice	Engineers and Geoscientists Act	
Environment	Environmental Protection Act	
Environment	Environmental Rights Act	
Justice	Evidence Act	
Justice	Exemptions Act	
WSCC	Explosives Use Act	
Justice	Expropriation Act	
Justice	Factors Act	
Justice	Family Abuse Intervention Act	

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Justice	Family Law Act	
Justice	Family Support Orders Enforcement Act	
Justice	Fatal Accidents Act	
EDT	Film Classification Act	
Finance	Financial Administration Act	
Finance	Financial Agreement Act	
Justice	Fine Option Act	
CGS	Fire Safety Act	
Environment	Forest Management Act	
Environment	Forest Protection Act	
EDT	Freshwater Fish Marketing Act	
Justice	Frustrated Contracts Act	
Justice	Garage Keepers Lien Act	
CGS	Gas Protection Act	
Justice	Guardianship and Trusteeship Act	
CGS	Hamlets Act	
Environment	Herd and Fencing Act	
Culture & Heritage	Historical Resources Act	
CGS	Home Owners Property Tax Rebate Act	Finance is responsible for applying this act in the general taxation area.
Health	Hospital Insurance and Health and Social Services Administration Act	Family Services is responsible for sections of the act concerning social service facilities other than alcohol and other drug treatment services, mental health services and suicide prevention services.
Justice	Hotel Keepers Act	
Justice	Human Rights Act	
Health	Human Tissue Act	
Family Services	Income Assistance Act	
Finance	Income Tax Act	
Finance	Income Tax Collection Agreement Questions Act	
Finance	Insurance Act	
Family Services	Intercountry Adoption (Hague Convention) Act	Justice supports technical aspects of interjurisdictional law.
Justice	Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act	
Justice	International Child Abduction Act	

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Justice	International Commercial Arbitration Act	
Justice	International Interests in Mobile Aircraft Equipment Act	
Justice	International Sales Convention Act	
Justice	Interprovincial Subpoenas Act	
Justice	Intestate Succession Act	
Minister Responsible for Languages	Inuit Language Protection Act	The Department of Culture & Heritage provides support the Minister responsible. Education is responsible for sections of the act concerning education, specifically sections 8 & 9.
Justice	Judicature Act	
Justice	Jury Act	
Justice	Justices of the Peace Act	
Justice	Labour Standards Act	
Justice	Land Titles Act	
Justice	Legal Profession Act	
Justice	Legal Questions Act	
Justice	Legal Services Act	
Justice	Legal Treatment of Apologies Act	
Justice	Legislation Act	
Culture & Heritage	Library Act	
Health	Licensed Practical Nurses Act	
Justice	Limitation of Actions Act	
Finance	Liquor Act	
Finance	Loan Authorization Acts	Various years
CGS	Lotteries Act	
Justice	Marriage Act	Health responsible for registering marriages under vital statistics.
Justice	Married Women's Property Act	
Justice	Mechanics Lien Act	
Health	Medical Care Act	
Health	Medical Profession Act	
Health	Mental Health Act	
Health	Midwifery Profession Act	
WSCC	Mine Health And Safety Act	
Justice	Miners Lien Act	

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CGS	Northern Employee Benefits Services Pension Plan Act	
EDT	Nunavummi Nangminiqatunik Ikajuuti Implementation Act (NNI)	
NAC	Nunavut Arctic College Act	Education is responsible for legislative amendments to the act.
EDT	Nunavut Business Credit Corporation Act	EDT is responsible for legislative amendments to the act.
EDT	Nunavut Development Corporation Act	EDT is responsible for legislative amendments to the act.
Human Resources	Nunavut Employees Union Act	
NHC	Nunavut Housing Corporation Act	With respect to staff housing, the Minister of HR is responsible for issuing and establishing directions and policy guidelines under subsection 5(2).
EIA	Nunavut Power Corporation Utility Assets Transfer Confirmation Act	
Education	Nunavut Teachers' Association Act	
Health	Nursing Act	
Finance	NWT Energy Corporation Ltd. Loan Guarantee Act	
Family Services	Occupational Training Agreements Act	
Minister Responsible for Languages	Official Languages Act	The Department of Culture & Heritage provides support the Minister responsible. The Legislative Assembly appoints the Language Commissioner and provides oversight.
Health	Ophthalmic Medical Assistants Act	
Health	Optometry Act	
Justice	Partnership Act	
CGS	Pawnbrokers and Second-hand Dealers Act	
Finance	Payroll Tax Act, 1993	
Justice	Perpetuities Act	
Justice	Personal Property Security Act	
Environment	Pesticide Act	
Finance	Petroleum Products Tax Act	
Health	Pharmacy Act	
CGS	Planning Act	
Justice	Powers of Attorney Act	
Justice	Presumption of Death Act	

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CGS	Property Assessment and Taxation Act	Finance is responsible for the administration, enforcement and collection of property taxes in the general taxation area.
Health	Psychologists Act	
Health	Public Health Act	
EDT	Public Highways Act	
Justice	Public Inquiries Act	
Human Resources	Public Service Act	The Department of EIA provides support in the appointment of Deputy Heads and the reassignment of Deputy Heads.
Finance	Public Service Garnishee Act	
Justice	Public Trustee Act	
Finance	Purchasing Management Association Act	
Minister Responsible for Status of Women	Qullit Nunavut Status of Women Council Act	The Department of Family Services provides secretariat support to Minister Responsible for Status of Women. Family Services is responsible for legislative amendments to the act.
QEC	Qulliq Energy Corporation Act	
CGS	Real Estate Agents' Licensing Act	
Justice	Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments Act	
Justice	Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments Act (Canada-UK) Act	
CGS	Religious Societies Land Act	
Justice	Residential Tenancies Act	
Finance	Revolving Funds Act	
Finance	Risk Capital Investment Tax Credits Act	
Justice	Royal Canadian Mounted Police Agreement Act	
WSCC	Safety Act	
Justice	Sale of Goods Act	
NAC	Scientists Act	
Justice	Securities Act	
Justice	Securities Transfer Act	
Justice	Seizures Act	
CGS	Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief	Finance is responsible for applying this act in the general taxation area.
Family Services	Senior Citizens Benefits Act	
Justice	Settlement of International Investment Disputes Act	

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CGS	Settlements Act	
Justice	Societies Act	
EIA	Statistics Act	
Education	Student Financial Assistance Act	
Justice	Summary Conviction Procedures Act	
Finance	Supplementary Appropriation Acts	Various years
Justice	Survivorship Act	
CGS	Technical Standards and Safety Act	Not in force
Justice	Tenants in Common Act	
Environment	Territorial Parks Act	
Health	Tobacco and Smoking Act	Not in force
Health	Tobacco Control and Smoke-Free Places Act	
Justice	Tobacco Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act, S.Nu. 2010, c.31	Not in force
Finance	Tobacco Tax Act	
EDT	Tourism Act	
EDT	Traffic Safety Act	
EDT	Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act, 1990	
Justice	Trustee Act	
Education	Universities and Degree-Granting Institutions Act	
Justice	Unlawful Property Forfeiture Act	
Minister Responsible for URRC	Utility Rates Review Council Act	The Department of EIA provides secretariat support to Minister Responsible for URRC. EIA is responsible for legislative amendments to the act.
Justice	Variation of Trusts Act	
Health	Veterinary Profession Act	
Justice	Victims of Crime Act	
Health	Vital Statistics Act	
Justice	Wages Recovery Act	
Justice	Warehouse Keepers Lien Act	
Environment	Water Resources Agreements Act	
CGS	Western Canada Lottery Act	
Environment	Wildlife Act	
Justice	Wills Act	
WSCC	Workers' Compensation Act	

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Finance	Write off of Assets and Debts Acts	Various years
Justice	Young Offenders Act	

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CGS	Boilers and Pressure Vessels Act	
CGS	Building Code Act	
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