#### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ACT

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# ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPARTMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTS REGULATIONS

The Commissioner in Executive Council, on the recommendation of the Premier and, where applicable, with the consent of the Speaker, under sections 67.1 and 67.2 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* and every enabling power, makes the annexed *Establishment of Departments and Responsibility for Acts Regulations*.

## Departments

- 1. (1) In addition to the Department of Justice established under the *Department of Justice Act*, the following departments of the Government of Nunavut are established:
  - (a) the Department of Community Services;
  - (b) the Department of Culture and Heritage;
  - (c) the Department of Education;
  - (d) the Department of Environment;
  - (e) the Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs;
  - (f) the Department of Family Services;
  - (g) the Department of Finance;
  - (h) the Department of Health;
  - (i) the Department of Human Resources;
  - (j) the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Nunavut.
- (2) Departments are assigned responsibilities, other than responsibility for the administration of Acts, in accordance with Schedule A.

## Responsibility for the administration of Acts

- 2. (1) Subject to this section, responsibility for the administration of Acts is assigned in accordance with Schedule B.
- (2) If a provision of an Act specifies the Minister that is to exercise a function, that Minister and their department or public agency is responsible for the administration of the provision and related provisions for the purpose of the exercise of the function.
- (3) If a provision of an Act provides for the Premier or Executive Council to exercise a function, the Minister and Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs are responsible for the administration of the provision and related provisions for the purpose of the exercise of the function.

- (4) If a provision of an Act provides for the Financial Management Board to exercise a function, the Minister and Department of Finance is responsible for the administration of the provision and related provisions for the purpose of the exercise of the function.
- (5) For greater certainty, nothing in this section or the Schedule affects existing prerogatives with respect to the introduction of Bills, including amending Bills, in the Legislative Assembly by a member of the Legislative Assembly, including a Minister.
- 3. The Establishment of Departments and Responsibility for Acts Regulations, R.Nu. R-019-2024, are repealed.
- 4. These regulations come into force on April 1, 2025.

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#### SCHEDULE A

(Section 1)

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

- 1. The Department of Community Services is responsible for
  - (a) economic and business development;
  - (b) supports to industry;
  - (c) sustainable development, diversification and promotion of primary industries;
  - (d) fisheries and sealing;
  - (e) geoscience and prospecting;
  - (f) distribution of country food;
  - (g) tourism and cultural industries;
  - (h) media, including film and television;
  - (i) national and international trade relations;
  - (j) providing support to the Nunavut Development Corporation and the Nunavut Business Credit Corporation;
  - (k) traffic safety;
  - (l) general identification cards;
  - (m) Government Liaison Officers;
  - (n) consumer affairs;
  - (o) safety services including
    - (i) building, demolition and occupancy permits and related inspections, and
    - (ii) technical standards and safety;
  - (p) services to and programs for municipalities;
  - (q) lands under the administration and control of the Commissioner, other than Commissioner's airport lands, as defined in the *Commissioner's Airport Lands Regulations* made under the *Commissioner's Land Act*;
  - (r) amateur sports and recreation;
  - (s) property assessment; and
  - (t) emergency management services, including
    - (i) business continuity,
    - (ii) fire prevention, and
    - (iii) search and rescue.

#### **CULTURE AND HERITAGE**

- 2. The Department of Culture and Heritage is responsible for
  - (a) government-wide alignment with Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and Inuit societal values;
  - (b) government-wide official language strategies and policies;
  - (c) government-wide translation services;
  - (d) government-wide language training;
  - (e) protection, promotion and revitalization of the Inuit Language;
  - (f) relations with the Inuit Uqausinginnik Taiguusiliuqtiit;

- (g) conservation, protection, promotion and enhancement of culture, heritage and historical resources;
- (h) supporting community-lead projects that promote Inuit societal values;
- (i) public transfer of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit, particularly from Elders to youth;
- (j) archaeology and palaeontology;
- (k) toponymy;
- (1) Nunavut Archives; and
- (m) public libraries.

#### **EDUCATION**

- **3.** The Department of Education is responsible for
  - (a) primary and secondary education, including
    - (i) supports to district education authorities,
    - (ii) relations with the Coalition of Nunavut District Education Authorities.
    - (iii) recruitment and retention of teachers,
    - (iv) teacher certification,
    - (v) use of public school facilities,
    - (vi) public school programs, and
    - (vii) regulation of private school facilities and programs;
  - (b) regulation of early childhood education and child day care facilities and programs;
  - (c) regulation of adult learning, including post-secondary education; and
  - (d) student financial assistance.

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

- 4. The Department of Environment is responsible for
  - (a) environmental protection and environmental compliance;

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- (b) environmental science;
- (c) environmental assessment;
- (d) land use planning;
- (e) wildlife management, including wildlife research;
- (f) relations with Hunters and Trappers Organizations and Regional Wildlife Organizations;
- (g) seal and fur purchase programs;
- (h) territorial parks;
- (i) protected areas;
- (j) climate change adaptation and mitigation; and
- (k) geographic information.

#### EXECUTIVE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

- 5. The Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs is responsible for
  - (a) management and coordination of the activities, responsibilities and business planning of the Government of Nunavut;
  - (b) government-wide strategic communications planning;
  - (c) coordination of relations with the federal government, provincial governments and other territorial governments;
  - (d) devolution;
  - (e) sustainable development;
  - (f) implementation and negotiation of agreements with Indigenous peoples and organizations, including the Nunavut Agreement;
  - (g) relationships with Indigenous, circumpolar and related international organizations, including Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated and Regional Inuit Organizations;
  - (h) coordination of international relations;
  - (i) immigration;
  - (j) protocol;
  - (k) access to information and protection of privacy;
  - (1) statistics;
  - (m) the Cabinet Secretariat;
  - (n) the Senior Personnel Secretariat;
  - (o) administrative support to the Utility Rates Review Council; and
  - (p) administrative support to the Premier's Office, Ministers' Offices and the Commissioner's Office.

#### **FAMILY SERVICES**

- **6.** The Department of Family Service is responsible for
  - (a) child protection;
  - (b) family support services including
    - (i) counselling,
    - (ii) in home parenting support,
    - (iii) respite care,
    - (iv) parenting programs, and
    - (v) other family support services to assist the family to deal with the illness of a child or another family member;
  - (c) adoption and foster care;
  - (d) youth support services;
  - (e) poverty reduction;
  - (f) food security;
  - (g) protection of vulnerable adults, other than guardianship;
  - (h) income assistance and other benefit programs;
  - (i) career and labour market training;
  - (j) trades and occupations certification;
  - (k) emergency and transitional housing;

- (l) residential care, other than those provided by the Department of Health;
- (m) social service facilities;
- (n) family violence services;
- (o) adult support services;
- (p) other assistance to individuals, families, groups and communities;
- (q) family wellness; and
- (r) labour market programs.

#### **FINANCE**

- 7. The Department of Finance is responsible for
  - (a) providing support to the Financial Management Board;
  - (b) fiscal policy;
  - (c) government finances, including comptrollership;
  - (d) government-wide expenditure management;
  - (e) government-wide internal audit;
  - (f) taxation including tax credits and benefits;
  - (g) insurance;
  - (h) liquor and cannabis management;
  - (i) compensation and benefits for public servants;
  - (j) energy subsidies; and
  - (k) supports to public agencies.

#### **HEALTH**

- **8.** The Department of Health is responsible for
  - (a) public health;
  - (b) health care, mental health, personal care, rehabilitation, addictions and trauma-related services, including
    - (i) hospitals and other health facilities,
    - (ii) referrals to out-of-territory services, and
    - (iii) home and community care;
  - (c) medical transportation;
  - (d) oral health and dental care;
  - (e) residential long-term care;
  - (f) suicide prevention, intervention and postvention;
  - (g) healing programs;
  - (h) regulation of health professions;
  - (i) health information;
  - (j) health insurance; and
  - (k) vital statistics.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

- **9.** The Department of Human Resources is responsible for
  - (a) government-wide human resources, including

- (i) staffing,
- (ii) employee relations,
- (iii) job evaluation,
- (iv) organizational design,
- (v) location of public service positions,
- (vi) summer student employment,
- (vii) employee wellness, and
- (viii) collective bargaining;
- (b) government-wide Inuit employment initiatives, including
  - (i) the Priority Hiring Policy,
  - (ii) internships,
  - (iii) mentoring programs,
  - (iv) development of the Master Inuit Employment Plan,
  - (v) support of departmental Inuit employment plans,
  - (vi) training programs specifically designed for Inuit employees,
- (c) public service training;
- (d) pre-employment training for government employment;
- (e) relocation of public servants; and
- (f) allocation of staff housing.

#### **JUSTICE**

- 10. The Department of Justice is responsible for
  - (a) for greater certainty, all matters related to the duties of the Minister of Justice and the Attorney General for Nunavut under the *Department of Justice Act*;
  - (b) public safety and crime prevention;
  - (c) territorial policing;
  - (d) civil forfeiture;
  - (e) administration of justice;
  - (f) registrars, clerks and other officers in bankruptcy;
  - (g) law libraries;
  - (h) family mediation;
  - (i) family support enforcement;
  - (j) assistance and services to victims of crime;
  - (k) human rights;
  - (l) government-wide legal and legislative services;
  - (m) correctional facilities, including
    - (i) correctional centres,
    - (ii) on-the-land camp operations, and
    - (iii) open-custody homes;
  - (n) probation and parole services;
  - (o) support to the Nunavut Criminal Code Review Board;
  - (p) community justice;
  - (q) guardianship and trusteeship;
  - (r) coroners;

- (s) labour standards;
- (t) residential tenancies;
- (u) legal registries; and
- (v) relations with the Legal Services Board.

## TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE NUNAVUT

- 11. The Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Nunavut is responsible for
  - (a) government-wide procurement services and corresponding logistics supports;
  - (b) government-wide information and communications technology;
  - (c) delivery of capital projects, including hamlet infrastructure;
  - (d) government facilities and asset management;
  - (e) public records management, other than the Nunavut Archives and the Public Records Committee;
  - (f) purchase, import, storage and delivery of petroleum products;
  - (g) technical professional studies programs, other than trades and occupations certification;
  - (h) telecommunications;
  - (i) technical services for government and municipal buildings and works;
  - (j) government real property, including, for greater certainty, infrastructure;
  - (k) government utilities management;
  - (1) transportation;
  - (m) Commissioner's airport lands, as defined in the *Commissioner's Airport Lands Regulations* made under the *Commissioner's Land Act*.

# SCHEDULE B

(Section 2)

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

1. The Minister and Department of Community Services are, subject to the listed exceptions, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act	Exceptions
All-Terrain Vehicle Act	
Boilers and Pressure Vessels Act	
Building Code Act	
Business Licence Act	
Cities, Towns and Villages Act	
Commissioner's Land Act	
Conflict of Interest Act	
Consumer Protection Act	
Co-operative Association Act	The Minister and Department of Justice are responsible for the administration of the provisions of the Act relating to the exercise of the functions of the Registrar of Co-operative Associations and subsection 2(1), sections 35 and 36, subsection 50(2) and paragraphs 57(a) and (d).
Curfew Act	
Dog Act	
Electrical Protection Act	
Emergency Measures Act	
Employment Agencies Act	
Engineers and Geoscientists Act	
Film Classification Act	
Fire Safety Act	
Freshwater Fish Marketing Act	
Gas Protection Act	
Hamlets Act	
Hotel Keepers Act	
Lotteries Act	
Northern Employee Benefits	
Services Pension Plan Act	
Nunavummi Nangminiqaqtunik	
Ikajuuti Implementation Act	
Nunavut Business Credit	
Corporation Act	
Nunavut Development Corporation	
Act	
Pawnbrokers and Second-Hand	
Dealers Act	

Planning Act	
Property Assessment and Taxation	The Minister and Department of Finance are responsible
Act	for the administration of the provisions of the Act
	relating to the exercise of the functions of the Collector
	of Taxes.
Real Estate Agents' Licensing Act	
Religious Societies Land Act	
Settlements Act	
Technical Standards and Safety Act	
Tourism Act	
Traffic Safety Act	
Transportation of Dangerous	
Goods Act	
Western Canada Lottery Act	

## CULTURE AND HERITAGE

**2.** The Minister and Department of Culture and Heritage are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act
Archives Act
Historical Resources Act
Library Act

## **EDUCATION**

**3.** The Minister and Department of Education are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act
Child Day Care Act
Education Act
Interim Language of Instruction Act
Nunavut Teachers' Association Act
Student Financial Assistance Act
Universities and Degree-Granting
Institutions Act

## **ENVIRONMENT**

**4.** The Minister and Department of Environment are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act
Environmental Protection Act
Environmental Rights Act
Forest Management Act
Forest Protection Act
Herd and Fencing Act
Pesticide Act
Territorial Parks Act
Water Resources Agreements Act
Wildlife Act

## EXECUTIVE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

**5.** The Minister and Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs are, subject to the listed exception, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act	Exceptions
Access to Information and	The Legislative Assembly and its Speaker are responsible
Protection of Privacy Act	for Division A of Part 4 of the Act.
Nunavut Power Corporation Utility	
Assets Transfer Confirmation Act	
Statistics Act	

## **FAMILY SERVICES**

**6.** The Minister and Department of Family Services are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act
Aboriginal Custom Adoption
Recognition Act
Adoption Act
Apprenticeship and Certification
Act
Apprenticeship, Trade and
Occupations Certification Act
Child and Family Services Act
Collaboration on Poverty
Reduction Act
Income Assistance Act

Intercountry Adoption	ı (Hague
Convention) Act	, 0
Occupational Training	g Agreements
Act	
Senior Citizens Benefi	it Act

## **FINANCE**

- 7. (1) The Minister and Department of Finance are responsible for the administration of Acts relating to appropriations, loan authorizations, forgiveness of debts and the write off or write down of assets and debts.
- (2) The Minister and Department of Finance are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act
Beneficiaries Designation Act
(Retirement, Savings and Other Plans)
Borrowing Authorization Act
Cannabis Act
Chartered Professional Accountants
Act
Credit Union Act
Financial Administration Act
Financial Agreement Act
Home Owners Property Tax Rebate Act
Income Tax Act
Income Tax Collection Agreement
Questions Act
Insurance Act
Liquor Act
Liquor Tax Act
Payroll Tax Act
Petroleum Products Tax Act
Public Service Garnishee Act
Purchasing Management
Association Act
Revolving Funds Act
Risk Capital Investment Tax Credits Act
Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons
Property Tax Relief Act
Tobacco Tax Act

# HEALTH

**8.** The Minister and Department of Health are, subject to the listed exception, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act	Exceptions
Boards of Management Dissolution	
Act	
Camp Health Services Act	
Dental Auxiliaries Act	
Dental Mechanics Act	
Dental Profession Act	
Donation of Food Act	
Emergency Medical Aid Act	
Hospital Insurance and Health and	The Minister and Department of Family Services are
Social Services Administration Act	responsible for the administration of the Act with respect
	to social services facilities, other than suicide prevention
	services, and with respect to the appointment of and the
	exercise of the functions of inspectors, auditors and
	Public Administrators for those social services facilities.
Human Tissue Act	
Medical Care Act	
Medical Profession Act,	
R.S.N.W.T. 1988,c.M-9	
Medical Profession Act,	
S.Nu. 2020,c.16	
Mental Health Act,	
R.S.N.W.T. 1988,c.M-10	
Mental Health Act, S.Nu. 2021,c.19	
Midwifery Profession Act	
Nursing Professions Act	
Ophthalmic Medical Assistants Act	
Optometry Act	
Pharmacy Act	
Psychologists Act	
Public Health Act	
Tobacco and Smoking Act	
Tobacco Control and Smoke-Free	
Places Act	
Veterinary Profession Act	
Vital Statistics Act	

# **HUMAN RESOURCES**

**9.** The Minister and Department of Human Resources are responsible for the administration of the following Act:

Name of Act	
Nunavut Employees Union Act	
Public Service Act	

## JUSTICE

**10.** The Minister of Justice and Department of Justice are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act
Age of Majority Act
Arbitration Act
Business Corporations Act
Change of Name Act
Children's Law Act
Choses in Action Act
Commercial Tenancies Act
Condominium Act
Contributory Negligence Act
Coroners Act
Corrections Act
Creditors Relief Act
Defamation Act
Department of Justice Act
Dependents Relief Act
Devolution of Real Property Act
Electronic Commerce Act
Evidence Act
Exemptions Act
Expropriation Act
Factors Act
Family Abuse Intervention Act
Family Law Act
Family Support Orders
Enforcement Act
Fatal Accidents Act
Fine Option Act
Frustrated Contracts Act
Garage Keepers Lien Act
Guardianship and Trusteeship Act

Human Rights Act
Interjurisdictional Subpoena Act
Interjurisdictional Support
Orders Act
International Child Abduction Act
International Commercial
Arbitration Act
International Interest in Mobile
Aircraft Equipment Act
International Sales Convention Act
Intestate Succession Act
Judicature Act
Jury Act
Justices of the Peace Act
Labour Standards Act
Land Titles Act
Legal Profession Act
Legal Questions Act
Legal Services Act
Legal Treatment of Apologies Act
Legislation Act
Limitation of Actions Act
Marriage Act
Married Women's Property Act
Mechanics Lien Act
Miners Lien Act
Opioid Damages and Health Care
Costs Recovery Act
Partnership Act
Perpetuities Act
Personal Property Security Act
Powers of Attorney Act
Presumption of Death Act
Public Inquiries Act
Public Trustee Act
Reciprocal Enforcement of
Judgments Act
Reciprocal Enforcement of
Judgments (Canada-U.K.) Act
Residential Tenancies Act
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Agreement Act
Sale of Goods Act
Securities Act
Securities Transfer Act

Seizures Act
Settlement of International
Investment Disputes Act
Societies Act
Summary Conviction
Procedures Act
Survivorship Act
Tenants in Common Act
Tobacco Damages and Health Care
Costs Recovery Act
Trustee Act
Unlawful Property Forfeiture Act
Variation of Trusts Act
Victims of Crime Act
Wages Recovery Act
Warehouse Keepers Lien Act
Wills Act
Young Offenders Act

## TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTUCTURE NUNAVUT

11. The Minister and Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Nunavut are responsible for the administration of the *Public Highways Act*.

## LANGUAGES

12. The Minister of Languages and Department of Culture and Heritage are, subject to the listed exceptions, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act	Exceptions
Inuit Language Protection Act	The Minister and Department of Education are
	responsible for the administration of sections 8 and 9 of
	the Act.
Official Languages Act	The Legislative Assembly and its Speaker are
	responsible for the administration of the provisions of the
	Act related to the appointment of the Languages
	Commissioner and the exercise of the functions of the
	Languages Commissioner.

## STATUS OF WOMEN

**13.** The Minister responsible for the Status of Women and the Department of Family Services are responsible for the administration of the *Qulliit Nunavut Status of Women Council Act*.

## UTILITY RATES REVIEW COUNCIL

14. The Minister responsible for the Utility Rates Review Council and the Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs are responsible for the administration of the *Utility Rates Review Council Act*.

## NUNAVUT ARCTIC COLLEGE

**15.** The Minister responsible for Nunavut Arctic College and the Nunavut Arctic College are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act	
Nunavut Arctic College Act	
Scientists Act	

## NUNAVUT HOUSING CORPORATION

**16.** The Minister responsible for the Nunavut Housing Corporation and the Nunavut Housing Corporation are, subject to the listed exception, responsible for the administration of the following Act:

Name of Act	Exceptions
Nunavut Housing Corporation Act	The Minister and Department of Human Resources are
	responsible for issuing or establishing written directions
	and policy guidelines under subsection 5(2) of the Act
	with respect to staff housing for public servants.

## **QULLIQ ENERGY CORPORATION**

17. The Minister responsible for Qulliq Energy Corporation and the Qulliq Energy Corporation are responsible for the administration of the *Qulliq Energy Corporation Act*.

## WORKERS' SAFETY AND COMPENSATION COMMISSION

**18.** The Minister responsible for the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission and the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission are responsible for the administration of the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act	
Explosives Use Act	
Mine Health and Safety Act	
Safety Act	
Workers' Compensation Act	

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**19.** The Legislative Assembly and its Speaker are responsible for the administration of following Acts:

Name of Act
Flag of Nunavut Act
Floral Emblem Act
Integrity Act
Legislative Assembly and Executive
Council Act
Legislative Assembly Retiring
Allowances Act
Nunavut Elections Act
Order of Nunavut Act
Plebiscites Act
Representative for Children and
Youth Act
Supplementary Retiring Allowance
Act

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