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## CHAPTER 497

## The Wild Rice Harvesting Act

**1.** In this Act,Interpre-  
tation

- (a) "Crown lands" means lands owned by Her Majesty in right of Ontario, and includes lands covered with water;
- (b) "Deputy Minister" means the Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests;
- (c) "licence" means a licence issued under this Act;
- (d) "Minister" means the Minister of Lands and Forests;
- (e) "resident" means any person who has actually resided in Ontario for a period of twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the time that his residence becomes material under this Act. R.S.O. 1960, c. 431, s. 1.

**2.** The administration of this Act is under the control and direction of the Minister. R.S.O. 1960, c. 431, s. 2.

Administra-  
tion of Act

**3.—(1)** Except under the authority of a licence, no person shall harvest or attempt to harvest wild rice on Crown lands.

Licences

(2) No person who is not a resident shall have a licence.

No licence  
to non-  
residents

(3) The issue of a licence is in the direction of the Deputy Minister, subject to appeal to the Minister.

Issue of  
licence

(4) A licence may be issued on such terms and conditions as are considered proper. R.S.O. 1960, c. 431, s. 3.

Terms and  
conditions

**4.—(1)** The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations,

Regulations

- (a) governing the issue, form, renewal, transfer, refusal and cancellation of licences and prescribing the fees payable therefor;
- (b) dividing Ontario or any part thereof into wild rice harvesting areas and designating such areas by identifying numbers and initials;
- (c) prescribing royalties payable on wild rice harvested;
- (d) respecting any matter necessary or advisable to carry out effectively the intent and purpose of this Act.

Idem (2) Any regulation made under subsection 1 may be general or particular in its application territorially or as to time or otherwise. R.S.O. 1960, c. 431, s. 4.

Offence 5. Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Act or the regulations or any term or condition of his licence is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$500. R.S.O. 1960, c. 431, s. 5, amended.