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CHAPTER 19

The Archaeological and Historic Sites Protection Act

1. In this Act,

Interpre-  
tation

- (a) "archaeological object" means an object of archaeological significance found at an archaeological site;
- (b) "archaeological site" means land of archaeological significance that is designated as such by the Minister;
- (c) "historical object" means an object of historical significance found at an historic site;
- (d) "historic site" means land of historical significance that is designated as such by the Minister;
- (e) "Minister" means the member of the Executive council charged for the time being with the administration of this Act;
- (f) "permit" means a valid and subsisting permit issued under this Act. 1953, c. 4, s. 1.

2. The Minister may designate any land as an archaeological site or as an historic site. 1953, c. 4, s. 2.

Designation  
of sites

3. No person shall excavate or alter an archaeological site or an historic site or remove any archaeological or historical object therefrom unless he is the holder of a permit. 1953, c. 4, s. 3.

Permit  
holders  
only may  
excavate,  
etc.

4.—(1) Upon application made to him in writing, the Minister may issue a permit to any person to excavate or alter an archaeological site and remove archaeological objects therefrom, or to excavate or alter an historic site and remove historical objects therefrom.

Minister  
may issue  
permits

(2) The Minister may limit a permit as to time and location and may impose such other terms and conditions as he considers proper.

Terms and  
conditions

- Cancellation**    (3) The Minister may cancel a permit at any time. 1953, c. 4, s. 4.
- Consent of owner**    **5.** A permit holder shall not excavate or alter an archaeological or an historic site or remove any archaeological or historical object therefrom without the consent of the owner. 1953, c. 4, s. 5.
- Reports**    **6.** Within a reasonable time after the close of each season's field work, every permit holder shall furnish, in duplicate, to the Minister a report containing full details of the work done, including details of any stratification or other chronological evidence encountered, and such other information as the Minister requires. 1953, c. 4, s. 6.
- Disposal of objects**    **7.—(1)** Any archaeological or historical object that is taken by a person who is not a permit holder or by a permit holder in contravention of his permit or this Act may be seized by a person authorized so to do by the Minister and turned over to and deposited in such public institution as the Minister designates.
- Idem**    (2) The Minister may direct that any archaeological or historical object taken under the authority of a permit be turned over to and deposited in such public institution as he designates. 1953, c. 4, s. 7.
- Offence**    **8.** Every person who contravenes any provision of this Act or a permit or a direction of the Minister under this Act is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or to imprisonment for a term of not more than six months, or to both. 1953, c. 4, s. 8.
- Advisory board**    **9.—(1)** The Minister may establish an advisory board, consisting of not more than nine members, to advise him upon all matters to which this Act refers. 1953, c. 4, s. 9 (1); 1956, c. 2, s. 1.
- Remuneration and expenses**    (2) The members of the advisory board shall receive such remuneration for their services as the Lieutenant Governor in Council determines and shall be paid proper travelling and other expenses incurred in the work of the board. 1959, c. 5, s. 1.
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