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The Provincial Parks and Protected Areas Act

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Chapter 50 of *The Revised Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1953*
(effective February 1, 1954).

FOR HISTORICAL REFERENCE ONLY

NOTE:

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CHAPTER 50

An Act respecting Provincial Parks and Protected Areas

Short title

- 1 This Act may be cited as *The Provincial Parks and Protected Areas Act*.

R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.1.

Interpretation

- 2 In this Act:

“Crown”

1. “**Crown**” means Her Majesty the Queen in right of Saskatchewan;

“department”

2. “**department**” means the Department of Natural Resources;

“minister”

3. “**minister**” means the Minister of Natural Resources;

“provincial forests”

4. “**provincial forests**” means provincial forests, as created under *The Forest Act*;

“provincial lands”

5. “**provincial lands**” means provincial lands as defined in *The Provincial Lands Act*.

R.S.S. 1940, c.43, s.2; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.2.

Areas for parks

- 3 The Lieutenant Governor in Council may designate any provincial forest or any area within a provincial forest, or any area of provincial lands, a provincial park, and the provincial parks so designated shall be maintained and used as public parks and pleasure grounds for the benefit, advantage and enjoyment of the people of Saskatchewan.

R.S.S. 1940, c.13, s.3; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.3.

Gift or exchange of lands

- 4 The minister may, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, accept a gift of any area of land for the purpose of creating additional provincial parks, or for adding to any existing park, or may authorize an exchange of provincial lands for other lands, for the same purpose.

R.S.S. 1940, c.48, s.4; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.4.

Protected areas

- 5 The Lieutenant Governor in Council may, on the recommendation of the minister, constitute any area within the province a protected area, for the purpose of protecting and preserving therein objects of beauty, fossil remains or other objects, animate or inanimate, of a geological, ethnological, historical or other scientific interest.

R.S.S. 1940, c.43, s.5; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.5.

Proclamations

6 Upon publication of a proclamation to that effect, in *The Saskatchewan Gazette*, any such area shall be constituted a provincial park or protected area, as the case may be, within the meaning of this Act.

R.S.S. 1940, c.43, s.6; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.6

Administration

7 The provisions of *The Forest Act* governing provincial forests, except as otherwise provided herein or by the regulations made hereunder, apply to provincial parks.

R.S.S. 1940, c.43, s.7; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.7.

Control

8 Provincial parks shall be under the control and management of the minister and such officers of the department as may be designated by him for that purpose; provided that the Lieutenant Governor in Council may, when he deems it expedient to do so, assign to any other member of the Executive Council the control and management, with respect to any or all of the purposes set forth in section 9, of any provincial park or any part thereof.

R.S.S. 1940, c.43, s.8; 1953, c.24, s.1;
R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.8.

Use of parks

9 Every provincial park and protected area shall be used for any one or more of the following purposes:

- (a) recreation;
- (b) the propagation, protection and preservation therein of wild animal life and wild vegetation;
- (c) the protection and preservation therein of objects of geological, ethnological, historical or other scientific interest.

R.S.S. 1940, c.43, s.9; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.9.

Regulations

10 The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations:

- (a) for the protection, care, management, control, maintenance and improvement of provincial parks and protected areas, and their use and enjoyment as public parks and pleasure grounds;
- (b) for the conduct of persons residing in or making use of any park or protected area;
- (c) for the lease, for any term of years, of such parcels of land in the parks or protected areas as are deemed advisable in the public interest, for public purposes, for the construction of buildings for ordinary habitation, for purposes of trade and industry, and for the accommodation of persons resorting to the parks or protected areas;
- (d) for the maintenance and improvement of properties in the parks including any lands sold or leased;

- (e) prescribing the class and style of buildings and other structures to be erected in the parks and protected areas, and the materials of which they shall be built, and classifying buildings and fire areas;
- (f) for the control and licensing of business, trades and traffic of every description within the parks or protected areas, and levying of licence fees;
- (g) for the construction, operation and maintenance of roads, bridges, piers, fences, sidewalks, lighting plants, water works and sewers, fire protection and sanitary systems and other public utilities within the parks;
- (h) for the preservation of the public health and the prevention of the spread of disease;
- (i) for the security of animal and vegetable life in the parks or protected areas, and the preservation thereof, and of the animals and vegetation therein, in a natural state;
- (j) for reserving any portions of the parks or protected areas deemed necessary for breeding places for animals, or for nurseries for trees, shrubs, plants and flowers;
- (k) for the maintenance and management of the parks or protected areas and the preservation of order therein.

R.S.S. 1940, c.43, s.10; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.10.

Penalties

11 A person contravening any of the provisions of this Act or the regulations is guilty of an offence and, where no specific penalty is imposed by the regulations, is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$100 and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year.

R.S.S. 1940, c.43, s.11; R.S.S. 1953, c.50, s.11.

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