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Regulations

The following is a list of the regulations made under the *Emblems of Alberta Act* that are filed as Alberta Regulations under the Regulations Act

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HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

Definitions

1 In this Act,

- (a) “Minister” means the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for this Act;
- (b) “official emblem” means
 - (i) the armorial bearings of Alberta;
 - (i.1) the provincial shield of Alberta;

- (ii) the Flag of Alberta;
- (iii) the floral emblem of Alberta;
- (iii.1) the official grass of Alberta;
- (iv) the Alberta Tartan;
- (v) the Alberta Dress Tartan;
- (vi) the official bird of Alberta;
- (vii) the official stone of Alberta;
- (vii.1) the official gemstone of Alberta;
- (viii) the official tree of Alberta;
- (ix) the official colours of Alberta;
- (x) the official mammal of Alberta;
- (xi) the official fish of Alberta;
- (xii) an Alberta symbol of distinction.

RSA 2000 cE-6 s1;2003 c4 s2;2007 c5 s2;
2013 c10 s2;2022 c3 s2

Armorial Bearings of Alberta

Armorial bearings

2 The armorial bearings of Alberta are those described as follows:

ARMS Azure, in front of a range of snow mountains proper a range of hills Vert, in base a wheat field surmounted by a prairie both also proper, on a chief Argent a St. George's Cross.

CREST On a Helm with a Wreath Argent and Gules a Beaver couchant upholding on its back the Royal Crown both proper.

SUPPORTERS On the dexter side a Lion Or armed and langued Gules and on the sinister side a Pronghorn antelope (*Antilocapra americana*) proper the Compartment comprising a grassy mount with the Floral emblem of the Province of Alberta the Wild Rose (*Rosa acicularis*) growing therefrom proper.

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RSA 1980 cE-8 s2

Provincial Shield of Alberta

Provincial shield

2.1 The portion of the armorial bearings of Alberta consisting of the ARMS described in section 2 is hereby adopted as the provincial shield of Alberta.

2013 c10 s2

Flag of Alberta

Flag of Alberta

3(1) A blue flag with the provincial shield centred on it is hereby appointed and declared as the Flag of Alberta.

(2) The Flag shall be of the proportions 2 by length and one by width.

(3) The blue of the Flag shall be a shade of blue conforming with the Canadian General Standards Board, Specification 1-GP-12c-P.II, 1965: Standard paint colour-blue 202-101.

(4) The provincial shield centred on the Flag shall extend to 7/11 of the width of the flag.

RSA 2000 cE-6 s3;2013 c10 s2

Floral Emblem

Rose as floral emblem

4 The flower known botanically as *Rosa acicularis* and popularly called the “wild rose” is hereby adopted as the floral emblem of Alberta.

RSA 1980 cE-8 s4

Grass Emblem

Rough Fescue as grass emblem

4.1 The grass known botanically as *Festuca scabrella* and popularly known as “rough fescue” is hereby adopted as the grass emblem of Alberta.

2003 c4 s3

Alberta Tartan and Alberta Dress Tartan

Patterns

5(1) The Alberta Tartan and the Alberta Dress Tartan are hereby adopted as the official tartans of Alberta.

(2) The Alberta Tartan shall be woven in blocks as follows:

- (a) the first block, to be known as the green block, shall consist of 48 green threads.

- (b) the 2nd block, to be known as the yellow block, shall consist of 64 threads divided in the following manner:
 - (i) 4 black;
 - (ii) 4 pink;
 - (iii) 4 black;
 - (iv) 8 blue;
 - (v) 4 black;
 - (vi) 16 yellow;
 - (vii) 4 black;
 - (viii) 8 blue;
 - (ix) 4 black;
 - (x) 4 pink;
 - (xi) 4 black.
- (c) the green block and the yellow block shall alternate across the entire width of the material and shall follow the same sequence in the length.

(3) The Alberta Dress Tartan shall be woven in blocks as follows:

- (a) the first block, to be known as the white block, shall consist of 96 threads divided in the following manner:
 - (i) 38 white;
 - (ii) 6 green;
 - (iii) 8 white;
 - (iv) 6 green;
 - (v) 38 white;
- (b) the 2nd block, to be known as the coloured block, shall consist of 136 threads divided in the following manner:
 - (i) 16 green;
 - (ii) 2 black;
 - (iii) 8 red;

- (iv) 2 black;
 - (v) 36 blue;
 - (vi) 2 black;
 - (vii) 4 yellow;
 - (viii) 2 black;
 - (ix) 36 blue;
 - (x) 2 black;
 - (xi) 8 red;
 - (xii) 2 black;
 - (xiii) 16 green;
 - (c) the white block and the coloured block shall alternate across the entire width of the material and shall follow the same sequence in length.
- (4) For the purposes of this Act,
- (a) “Alberta Tartan” means cloth woven in accordance with subsection (2) and the coloured pattern or design created by so weaving cloth;
 - (b) “Alberta Dress Tartan” means cloth woven in accordance with subsection (3) and the coloured pattern or design created by so weaving cloth.

RSA 1980 cE-8 s5;2000 c5 s4

Bird of Alberta

Official bird

6 The bird known scientifically as *Bubo virginianus* and commonly known as the “great horned owl” is hereby adopted as the official bird of Alberta.

RSA 1980 cE-8 s6

Stone of Alberta

Official stone

7 The substance known scientifically as silicified wood and commonly known as “petrified wood” is hereby adopted as the official stone of Alberta.

RSA 1980 cE-8 s7

Gemstone of Alberta

Official gemstone

7.1 The gemstone known as ammolite is hereby adopted as the official gemstone of Alberta.

2022 c3 s3

Tree of Alberta

Official tree

8 The tree known scientifically as *Pinus contorta* variety *latifolia* and commonly known as “lodgepole pine” is hereby adopted as the official tree of Alberta.

1984 c15 s3

Provincial Colours

Official colours

9 The following colours are hereby adopted as the official provincial colours:

blue — Canadian General Standards Board,
standard 1-GP-12c, 202-101

gold/deep yellow — Canadian General Standards Board,
standard 1-GP-12c, 505-311

1984 c15 s3; 1987 c21 s3

Mammal of Alberta

Official mammal

10 The mammal known scientifically as *Ovis canadensis* and commonly known as the “Rocky Mountain Big Horn Sheep” is hereby adopted as the official mammal of Alberta.

1989 c12 s3

Fish of Alberta

Official fish

11 The fish known scientifically as *Salvelinus confluentus* and commonly known as the “Bull Trout” is hereby adopted as the official fish of Alberta.

1995 c12 s3

Alberta Symbols of Distinction

Symbols of distinction

11.1(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may, in accordance with the criteria established by the regulations, prescribe as an Alberta symbol of distinction any thing that symbolically

represents or recognizes a cultural group that has contributed to Alberta's culturally diverse society.

(2) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations prescribing Alberta symbols of distinction and establishing the criteria for the purpose of prescribing them.

2007 c5 s3

General

Regulations

12 The Minister may make regulations respecting the reproduction, use and display, or any of them, of an official emblem or any portion of an official emblem.

RSA 2000 cE-6 s12;2013 c10 s2

Offence and penalty

13 A person who contravenes a regulation made under section 12 is guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of not more than \$1000.

RSA 2000 cE-6 s13;2013 c10 s2

Misuse of official emblem

14 If a person reproduces, uses or displays an official emblem or any portion of an official emblem, the reproduction, use or display of which is governed by a regulation made under section 12, in a manner other than that permitted under the regulation, the Minister may, whether or not that person has been prosecuted under this Act, apply to the Court of King's Bench for an order enjoining the person from reproducing, using or displaying the official emblem or any portion of the official emblem in a manner other than that permitted under the regulation.

RSA 2000 cE-6 s14;2009 c53 s55;2013 c10 s2;
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