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**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
REGULATION 23/26**

Fire Protection Services Regulations (Amendment)
under the
Fire Protection Services Act

(Filed June 3, 2026)

Under the authority of section 33 of the *Fire Protection Services Act*, I make the following regulations.

Dated at St. John's, May 27, 2026.

Pleaman Forsey
Minister of Forestry, Agriculture and Lands

REGULATIONS

Analysis

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| 1. S.2 Amdt. Definitions | 2. S.18.1 Added Discharge of fireworks during forest fire season |
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NLR 45/12
as amended

1. Paragraph 2(c) of the *Fire Protection Services Regulations* is repealed and the following substituted:

(c) "fireworks" means the type of explosive classified in accordance with paragraph 36(2)(f) of the *Explosives Regulations, 2013* under the *Explosives Act* (Canada);

(2) Section 2 of the regulations is amended by adding immediately after paragraph (d) the following:

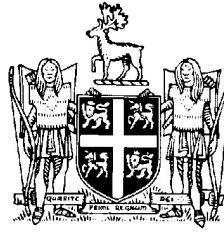
(d.1) "forest fire season" means a specific period declared by order of the minister;

2. The regulations are amended by adding immediately after section 18 the following:

Discharge of
fireworks during
forest fire season

18.1 A person shall not discharge fireworks outdoors during the forest fire season where the discharge of fireworks is prohibited under subsection 5(2) of the *Forest Fire Regulations*.

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**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
REGULATION 24/26**

Forest Fire Offence and Penalty Regulations, 2026
under the
Forestry Act
(O.C. 2026-104)

(Filed June 3, 2026)

Under the authority of sections 109.1 and 155 of the *Forestry Act*,
the Lieutenant-Governor in Council makes the following regulations.

Dated at St. John's, June 2, 2026.

Andrea McKenna
Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council

REGULATIONS

Analysis

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| 1. Short title | Schedule A |
| 2. Definitions | Schedule B |
| 3. Ticketable offence | Schedule C |
| 4. Penalty for offence | Schedule D |
| 5. Subsequent offence | |
| 6. Repeal | |

Short title

1. These regulations may be cited as the *Forest Fire Offence and
Penalty Regulations, 2026*.

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| Definitions | <p>2. In these regulations, "Act" means the <i>Forestry Act</i>.</p> |
| Ticketable offence | <p>3. A violation of a provision of the Act referred to in Schedule A and a violation of a provision of the <i>Forest Fire Regulations</i> referred to in Schedule C is an offence for which a ticket may be issued under the <i>Provincial Offences Act</i> and regulations under that Act.</p> |
| Penalty for offence | <p>4. (1) A person who contravenes a provision of the Act referred to in Schedule A is guilty of an offence and, where the complaint is laid and summons issued by means of a ticket, is liable for a first offence or subsequent offence, as applicable, to a fine in the amount prescribed in Schedule A.</p> <p>(2) A person who contravenes a provision of the Act referred to in Schedule B is guilty of an offence and, where the complaint is laid and summons issued other than by way of a ticket, is liable for a first offence or subsequent offence, as applicable, to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) a fine in an amount not less than the minimum amount and, where applicable, not more than the maximum amount prescribed in Schedule B;(b) imprisonment for a period up to the time prescribed in Schedule B; or(c) both a fine referred to in paragraph (a) and imprisonment referred to in paragraph (b). <p>(3) A person who contravenes a provision of the <i>Forest Fire Regulations</i> referred to in Schedule C is guilty of an offence and, where the complaint is laid and summons issued by means of a ticket, is liable for a first offence or subsequent offence, as applicable, to a fine in the amount prescribed in Schedule C.</p> <p>(4) A person who contravenes a provision of the <i>Forest Fire Regulations</i> referred to in Schedule D is guilty of an offence and, where the complaint is laid and summons issued other than by way of a ticket, is liable for a first offence or subsequent offence, as applicable, to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) a fine in an amount not less than the minimum amount and, where applicable, not more than the maximum amount prescribed in Schedule D;(b) imprisonment for a period up to the time prescribed in Schedule D; or |

(c) both a fine referred to in paragraph (a) and imprisonment referred to in paragraph (b).

Subsequent offence **5.** With respect to those provisions referred to in the Schedules, a person shall be considered to be convicted of a subsequent offence when convicted of an offence within 12 months of the date of the last conviction for the same offence.

Repeal **6. The *Forest Fire Offence and Penalty Regulations, Consolidated Newfoundland and Labrador Regulation 10/96, are repealed.***

SCHEDULE A

Forestry Act

Penalties Where Summons Issued by Means of a Ticket

| Section, subsection or paragraph | Offence | Penalty | |
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| | | A fine in the dollar amount indicated | |
| | | First offence | Subsequent offence |
| 96 | Violates or fails to comply with a provision of Part V Division I, a provision of an order or permit or a condition attached to an order or permit | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 98(1) | Ignites a fire or causes a fire to be ignited on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act during the forest fire season other than as permitted in subsection 98(1) of the Act | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |
| 98(5) | Ignites a fire or causes a fire to be ignited on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act or fails to extinguish a fire started under a permit to burn after a permit to burn has been suspended | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |

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| 98(6) | Ignites a fire or causes a fire to be ignited on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act or fails to extinguish a fire started under a permit to burn after a permit to burn has been cancelled | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |
| 99(2) | Ignites, maintains or makes use of a fire or causes a fire to be ignited, maintained or used in violation of a proclamation issued under subsection 99(1) of the Act | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |
| 100(3)(a) | Refuses to allow the use of equipment where requisitioned by a forestry official | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 100(3)(b) | Refuses to follow an order of a forestry official to provide reasonable assistance to the forestry official | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 100(3)(c) | Refuses to follow an order of a forestry official to leave an area that is or may be affected by a forest fire | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 100(4) | Fails to immediately notify a forestry official or the department that a forest fire has started and exists on forest land | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 101(1) | Throws, drops or otherwise deposits a burning match, cigarette, cigar or other smoking material, live coals, hot ashes or other burning substances on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act or fails to extinguish such a thing | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 101(4) | Operates a burner, engine, incinerator or other spark emitting outlet that is not provided with an adequate device for arresting sparks on forest land or within 300 metres of forest land | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 101(5) | Refuels or leaves unattended a power saw or like equipment on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act that has not cooled to the point where it is unlikely to cause a fire or has not been put in a place where it is unlikely to start a fire | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |

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| 101(6) | Stores or transports gasoline, fuel oil or a similar volatile flammable substance on forest land in a container that is not listed and labelled by a national testing laboratory recognized by the fire commissioner | \$150 | \$300 |
| 102(1) | Fails to have the area surrounding the site of a logging camp, mine, mill or garbage dump located on forest land or within 300 metres of forest land, including areas where stockpiles, waste and debris are located, cleared of flammable material for a distance of at least 30 metres or the distance that may be required by a forestry official | \$5,000 | \$10,000 |
| 102(2) | Leaves a fire that was ignited in mill waste or refuse on mill premises unattended without the approval of a forestry official | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |
| 102(3) | Fails to take immediate action to control and extinguish a fire and to employ the necessary personnel and equipment for that purpose, where a fire is burning or starts on forest land where a forestry operation or other activity is being carried on | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |
| 102(4)(a) | Fails to immediately notify the nearest forest management district office or forestry official where a fire occurs on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act, in an area where logging or industrial operations are carried out | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |
| 102(4)(b) | Fails to immediately commence fighting a fire on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act, in an area where logging or industrial operations are carried out, until relieved of the responsibility by a forestry official or the fire is extinguished | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |

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| 105(1) | Cuts or removes trees from forest land or engages in an activity that is likely to cause a forest fire during the forest fire season without an operating permit where an operating permit is required under subsection 105(1) of the Act | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 105(2) | Cuts or removes trees from forest land or engages in an activity that is likely to cause a forest fire during a period other than the forest fire season without an operating permit where an operating permit is required under subsection 105(2) of the Act | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 105(8) | Continues to cut or remove trees or continues to engage in an activity that is likely to cause a forest fire after an operating permit has been suspended or cancelled | \$5,000 | \$10,000 |
| 110(a) | Deliberately starts a forest fire | \$100,000 | \$250,000 |
| 110(b) | Recklessly or negligently starts a forest fire | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |

SCHEDULE B

Forestry Act

Penalties Where Summons Issued by Means Other Than a Ticket

| Section, subsection or paragraph | Offence | Penalty | | |
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| | | A fine of not less than the minimum and not more than the maximum dollar amount indicated or imprisonment for no longer than the time indicated or both a fine and imprisonment | | |
| | | Min. | Max. | Max. |
| 96 | Violates or fails to comply with a provision of Part V | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |

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| | Division I, a provision of an order or permit or a condition attached to an order or permit | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |
| 98(1) | Ignites a fire or causes a fire to be ignited on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act during the forest fire season other than as permitted in subsection 98(1) of the Act | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 98(5) | Ignites a fire or causes a fire to be ignited on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act or fails to extinguish a fire started under a permit to burn after a permit to burn has been suspended | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 98(6) | Ignites a fire or causes a fire to be ignited on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act or fails to extinguish a fire started under a permit to burn after a permit to burn has been cancelled | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 99(2) | Ignites, maintains or makes use of a fire or causes a fire to be ignited, maintained or used in violation of a proclamation issued under subsection 99(1) of the Act | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 100(3)(a) | Refuses to allow the use of equipment where requisitioned by a forestry official | First Offence | \$2,500 | | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |

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| 100(3)(b) | Refuses to follow an order of a forestry official to provide reasonable assistance to the forestry official | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 100(3)(c) | Refuses to follow an order of a forestry official to leave an area that is or may be affected by a forest fire | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 100(4) | Fails to immediately notify a forestry official or the department that a forest fire has started and exists on forest land | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 101(1) | Throws, drops or otherwise deposits a burning match, cigarette, cigar or other smoking material, live coals, hot ashes or other burning substances on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act or fails to extinguish such a thing | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 101(4) | Operates a burner, engine, incinerator or other spark emitting outlet that is not provided with an adequate device for arresting sparks on forest land or within 300 metres of forest land | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 101(5) | Refuels or leaves unattended a power saw or like equipment on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |

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| | Act that has not cooled to the point where it is unlikely to cause a fire or has not been put in a place where it is unlikely to start a fire | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |
| 101(6) | Stores or transports gasoline, fuel oil or a similar volatile flammable substance on forest land in a container that is not listed and labelled by a national testing laboratory recognized by the fire commissioner | First Offence | \$500 | | 90 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$1,000 | | 90 days |
| 102(1) | Fails to have the area surrounding the site of a logging camp, mine, mill or garbage dump located on forest land or within 300 metres of forest land, including areas where stockpiles, waste and debris are located, cleared of flammable material for a distance of at least 30 metres or the distance that may be required by a forestry official | First Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$10,000 | | 180 days |
| 102(2) | Leaves a fire that was ignited in mill waste or refuse on mill premises unattended without the approval of a forestry official | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 102(3) | Fails to take immediate action to control and extinguish a fire and to employ the necessary personnel and | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |

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| | equipment for that purpose, where a fire is burning or starts on forest land where a forestry operation or other activity is being carried on | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 102(4)(a) | Fails to immediately notify the nearest forest management district office or forestry official where a fire occurs on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act, in an area where logging or industrial operations are carried out | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 102(4)(b) | Fails to immediately commence fighting a fire on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act, in an area where logging or industrial operations are carried out, until relieved of the responsibility by a forestry official or the fire is extinguished | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 105(1) | Cuts or removes trees from forest land or engages in an activity that is likely to cause a forest fire during the forest fire season without an operating permit where an operating permit is required under subsection 105(1) of the Act | First Offence | \$2,500 | | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |

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| 105(2) | Cuts or removes trees from forest land or engages in an activity that is likely to cause a forest fire during a period other than the forest fire season without an operating permit where an operating permit is required under subsection 105(2) of the Act | First Offence | \$2,500 | | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |
| 105(8) | Continues to cut or remove trees or continues to engage in an activity that is likely to cause a forest fire after an operating permit has been suspended or cancelled | First Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$10,000 | | 180 days |
| 110(a) | Deliberately starts a forest fire | First Offence | \$100,000 | \$250,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$250,000 | \$500,000 | 730 days |
| 110(b) | Recklessly or negligently starts a forest fire | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |

SCHEDULE C*Forest Fire Regulations*

Penalties Where Summons Issued by Means of a Ticket

| Section, subsection or paragraph | Offence | Penalty | |
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| | | A fine in the dollar amount indicated | |
| | | First Offence | Subsequent Offence |
| 5(1) | Lights an open or outdoor fire during the forest fire season when the fire weather index is very high or extreme | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |
| 5(2) | Discharges fireworks or lights a sky lantern during the forest fire season when the fire weather index is high, very high or extreme without approval of the minister or a person designated by the minister | \$50,000 | \$75,000 |
| 8(a) | Leaves a fire unattended during the forest fire season | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 8(b) | Leaves the location of a fire before the fire is completely extinguished during the forest fire season | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 11(1) | Travels through forest land during the forest fire season on an all-terrain or motorized vehicle that has an exhaust pipe that does not have a properly fitted muffler and the required type of devices to prevent the escape of sparks or burnt particles or the exhaust system is not clean of debris | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 11(2) | Travels through forest land during the forest fire season on an all-terrain or motorized vehicle without having the required fire extinguisher | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |

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| 12(1)(a) | Uses machinery or equipment in a logging or industrial activity during the forest fire season that has an exhaust pipe that does not have a properly fitted muffler and the required type of devices to prevent the escape of sparks or burnt particles | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 12(1)(b) | Uses machinery or equipment in a logging or industrial activity during the forest fire season that does not have an approved fire extinguisher | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 12(1)(c) | Uses machinery or equipment in a logging or industrial activity during the forest fire season that is not clean of debris | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 12(2) | Uses a power saw during the forest fire season that has an exhaust that does not have a properly fitted muffler and the required type of devices to prevent the escape of sparks or burnt particles or without the required fire extinguisher | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 13(1) | Carries out a logging or industrial operation on forest land during the forest fire season without having first obtained an operating permit | \$1,000 | \$2,000 |
| 13(3)(a) | Carries out a logging or industrial operation on forest land during the forest fire season without the required type and amount of forest fire suppression equipment | \$5,000 | \$10,000 |
| 13(3)(b) | Carries out a logging or industrial operation on forest land during the forest fire season without the required type and amount of fully functional forest fire pumps | \$5,000 | \$10,000 |
| 13(6) | Fails to have a copy of the operating permit on the operating site or fails to present it when requested by a forestry official, during forest fire season | \$150 | \$300 |

SCHEDULE D*Forest Fire Regulations*

Penalties Where Summons Issued by Means Other Than a Ticket

| Section, subsection or paragraph | Offence | Penalty | | | |
|--|--|---|----------|-----------|----------|
| | | A fine of not less than the minimum and not more than the maximum dollar amount indicated or imprisonment for no longer than the time indicated or both a fine and imprisonment | | | |
| | | Min. | Max. | Max. | |
| 5(1) | Lights an open or outdoor fire during the forest fire season when the fire weather index is very high or extreme | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 5(2) | Discharges fireworks or lights a sky lantern during the forest fire season when the fire weather index is high, very high or extreme without approval of the minister or a person designated by the minister | First Offence | \$50,000 | \$100,000 | 365 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$75,000 | \$150,000 | 730 days |
| 8(a) | Leaves a fire unattended during the forest fire season | First Offence | \$2,500 | | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |
| 8(b) | Leaves the location of a fire before the fire is completely extinguished during the forest fire season | First Offence | \$2,500 | | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | | 180 days |
| 11(1) | Travels through forest land during the forest fire season on an all-terrain or motorized vehicle that has an exhaust pipe that does | First Offence | \$2,500 | | 180 days |

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| | not have a properly fitted muffler and the required type of devices to prevent the escape of sparks or burnt particles or the exhaust system is not clean of debris | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 11(2) | Travels through forest land during the forest fire season on an all-terrain or motorized vehicle without having the required fire extinguisher | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 12(1)(a) | Uses machinery or equipment in a logging or industrial activity during the forest fire season that has an exhaust pipe that does not have a properly fitted muffler and the required type of devices to prevent the escape of sparks or burnt particles | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 12(1)(b) | Uses machinery or equipment in a logging or industrial activity during the forest fire season that does not have an approved fire extinguisher | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 12(1)(c) | Uses machinery or equipment in a logging or industrial activity during the forest fire season that is not clean of debris | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 12(2) | Uses a power saw during the forest fire season that has an exhaust that does not have a properly fitted muffler and the required | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |

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| | type of devices to prevent the escape of sparks or burnt particles or without the required fire extinguisher | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 13(1) | Carries out a logging or industrial operation on forest land during the forest fire season without having first obtained an operating permit | First Offence | \$2,500 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| 13(3)(a) | Carries out a logging or industrial operation on forest land during the forest fire season without the required type and amount of forest fire suppression equipment | First Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$10,000 | 180 days |
| 13(3)(b) | Carries out a logging or industrial operation on forest land during the forest fire season without the required type and amount of fully functional forest fire pumps | First Offence | \$5,000 | 180 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$10,000 | 180 days |
| 13(6) | Fails to have a copy of the operating permit on the operating site or fails to present it when requested by a forestry official, during forest fire season | First Offence | \$500 | 90 days |
| | | Subsequent Offence | \$1,000 | 90 days |

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**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
REGULATION 25/26**

Forest Fire Regulations (Amendment)
under the
Forestry Act

(Filed June 3, 2026)

Under the authority of section 109 of the *Forestry Act*, I make the following regulations.

Dated at St. John's, June 2, 2026.

Pleaman Forsey
Minister of Forestry, Agriculture and Lands

REGULATIONS

Analysis

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| 1. S.1 R&S Short title | 7. S.5.1 & 5.2 Added |
| 2. S.1.1 Added Application | 5.1 Suspension of permit to burn |
| 3. S.2 Amdt. Interpretation | 5.2 Suspension of operating permit |
| 4. S.3 Rep. Prohibition | 8. S.7 Amdt. Use of flammable material |
| 5. S.4 R&S Exceptions to requirement for permit to burn | 9. S.10 Rep. Transportation of volatile flammable substances |
| 6. S.5 R&S Effect of fire weather index | 10. S.12 Amdt. Use of machinery or equipment |

11. S.13 Amdt.
Logging or industrial
operations

12. S.14 Rep.
Notification of forest fires

CNLR 11/96
as amended

1. Section 1 of the *Forest Fire Regulations* is repealed and the following substituted:

Short title

1. These regulations may be cited as the *Forest Fire Regulations*.

2. The regulations are amended by adding immediately after section 1 the following:

Application

1.1 These regulations apply during the forest fire season.

3. Subsection 2(1) of the regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

Interpretation

2. (1) In these regulations

(a) "Act" means the *Forestry Act*;

(b) "approved back tank pump" means a fully functional back tank that

(i) has a 20-litre tank filled with water, and

(ii) is of a type approved by the forest service;

(c) "approved fire extinguisher" means an inspected and functioning fire extinguisher that contains a minimum of 4.5 kilograms of ABC class dry chemical, listed and labelled for use in Canada by a national testing laboratory recognized by the fire commissioner;

(d) "fireworks" means the type of explosive classified in accordance with paragraph 36(2)(f) of the *Explosives Regulations, 2013* under the *Explosives Act* (Canada);

(e) "forest fire season" means a specific period declared by order of the minister;

(f) "forest service" means the Newfoundland and Labrador Forest Service;

- (g) "logging operation" means the arrangements made for the purpose of carrying out the work involved in converting trees into timber, the loading and unloading of timber on and from trains, ships and trucks and the delivery of timber to a point of export or a point where it is converted into other products but does not include transportation of timber by a railway, steamship or trucking operator and for these regulations will include a timber cutting operation
 - (i) carried out under a commercial, domestic or roadside restricted cutting permit, or under licence,
 - (ii) on private land carried out for the purpose of obtaining sawlogs, pulpwood, fuelwood, fencing, fishing material, boat material or cutting a boundary right-of-way, and
 - (iii) carried out for land or agriculture development;
- (h) "operating permit" means a permit issued under section 105 of the Act;
- (i) "park attendant" means a person who is responsible for supervision in the park during the period the park is open to the public;
- (j) "permit to burn" means a permit issued under section 98 of the Act; and
- (k) "sky lantern" means a lantern, balloon or other device that is designed to carry an open flame.

4. Section 3 of the regulations is repealed.

5. Section 4 of the regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

Exceptions to requirement for permit to burn

- 4. (1)** A person may light a fire on land referred to in subsection 92(1) of the Act without a permit to burn as follows:
 - (a) in a designated fire containment structure on a site in a provincial, municipal or private park provided that

- (i) permission to light a fire is granted by a park attendant, and
- (ii) either
 - (A) the site has a readily accessible charged hose capable of delivering sufficient water pressure and volume to prevent the spread of fire from the open fire, or
 - (B) the park has at least 2 approved back tank pumps and, where the park has more than 10 sites, at least 2 approved back tank pumps for every 10 sites, and the approved back tank pumps are accessible and located throughout the park to provide adequate coverage for sites that do not have hoses referred to in clause (A);
- (b) on sand, gravel, rock, mineral soil or other non-combustible materials where
 - (i) the fire is located at a distance of not less than one metre from any flammable material,
 - (ii) the space directly above the one metre area around the fire is at least 3 metres from any overhanging trees,
 - (iii) the fire does not exceed 0.5 metres in height and 0.5 metres in width, and
 - (iv) the person has access, at all times, to
 - (A) at least 8 litres of water,
 - (B) a shovel, or
 - (C) an approved fire extinguisher;
- (c) in an outdoor wood burning unit where
 - (i) the unit is made entirely of non-combustible materials,
 - (ii) the unit completely contains the fire,

- (iii) the unit is screened to prevent the escape of sparks or other burning material,
 - (iv) the unit rests on legs or supports and is placed on mineral soil or non-combustible material having a surface area of not less than 1.5 square metres, and
 - (v) the unit is located not less than 3.5 metres from the nearest woods, brush or other flammable material; or
- (d) in an incinerator unit where
- (i) the unit completely contains the fire and is screened to prevent the escape of sparks or other burning material,
 - (ii) the unit is located on private property and not less than 15 metres from the nearest woods, brush or other flammable material,
 - (iii) the unit is in good working order and an attendant is on site if the fire weather index is high, very high or extreme, and
 - (iv) all incinerator ash is totally extinguished before being discarded on mineral soil not less than 15 metres from the nearest woods, brush or other flammable material.

(2) A person may discharge fireworks or light a sky lantern without a permit to burn or an operating permit.

6. Section 5 of the regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

Effect of fire
weather index

5. (1) Notwithstanding paragraphs 4(1)(a), (b) and (c), a person shall not light an open or outdoor fire under paragraphs 4(a), (b) or (c) when the fire weather index is very high or extreme.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection 4(2), a person shall not discharge fireworks or light a sky lantern when the fire weather index is high, very high or extreme, without the approval of the minister or a person designated by the minister.

7. The regulations are amended by adding immediately after section 5 the following:

Suspension of
permit to burn

5.1 A permit to burn is automatically suspended where the fire weather index in the locality for which the permit to burn has been issued is high, very high or extreme.

Suspension of
operating permit

5.2 (1) A forestry official may suspend an operating permit where the fire weather index in the locality for which the operating permit has been issued is high or very high.

(2) Where the fire weather index in the locality for which an operating permit has been issued is extreme, the operating permit is, to the extent stated in the operating permit, suspended in accordance with the terms and conditions of the operating permit.

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), where the fire weather index in the locality for which an operating permit has been issued is extreme and the operating permit has not been suspended under subsection (2), a forestry official may, where the forestry official determines it necessary, suspend the operating permit.

(4) An operating permit that has been suspended under subsection (1), (2), or (3) may be reinstated by a forestry official while the fire weather index is high, very high or extreme where the forestry official determines that the risk of fire resulting from activities authorized under the operating permit is low.

(5) Notice of a suspension under subsection (1) or (3) or a reinstatement under subsection (4) shall be given

(a) orally;

(b) in writing; or

(c) in a manner that gives it the most prompt and adequate publicity.

8. Subsection 7(2) of the regulations is repealed.

9. Section 10 of the regulations is repealed.

10. (1) Subsection 12(1) of the regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

Use of machinery or equipment

12. (1) A person shall not use machinery or equipment in a logging or industrial activity during the forest fire season unless

- (a) the exhaust pipe of the machinery or equipment is fitted in accordance with the manufacturer's original specifications with muffler and proper screening or baffling devices to prevent the escape of sparks or particles of burnt carbon;
- (b) each piece of machinery and equipment is equipped at all times during operations in the forest fire season with an approved fire extinguisher; and
- (c) the unit is kept clean of all debris.

(2) Subsection 12(2) of the regulations is amended by deleting the words "his or her" and substituting the words "the operator's".

11. (1) Paragraph 13(3)(b) of the regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

- (b) one fully functional forest fire pump of a type approved by the forest service, complete with accessories and a minimum of 610 metres of forest fire hose for
 - (i) every 20 employees in the operation; and
 - (ii) for every 5 pieces of machinery or equipment, where the logging or industrial operation has more than 5 pieces of machinery or equipment.

(2) Subsections 13(4) and (5) of the regulations are repealed and the following substituted:

(4) A forestry official may specify deviations from the equipment requirements in paragraphs 3(a) and (b) where the forestry official determines that local operating conditions warrant deviations.

(5) The actual location of the forest fire suppression equipment in relation to the operating site may be designated by a forestry official.

(3) Subsection 13(7) of the regulations is amended by deleting the reference "*Forestry Act*" and substituting the word "Act".

(4) Subsection 13(8) of the regulations is repealed.

12. Section 14 of the regulations is repealed.

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**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
REGULATION 26/26**

Mill Regulations (Amendment)
under the
Forestry Act

(Filed June 3, 2026)

Under the authority of section 86 of the *Forestry Act*, I make the following regulations.

Dated at St. John's, May 27, 2026.

Pleaman Forsey
Minister of Forestry, Agriculture and Lands

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CNLR 1109/96
as amended

1. (1) Section 2 of the *Mill Regulations* is amended by adding immediately after paragraph (a) the following:

(a.1) "commercial cutting permit" means a permit issued under the *Cutting of Timber Regulations* to cut timber for sale or barter;

(2) Section 2 of the regulations is amended by adding immediately after paragraph (c) the following:

(c.1) "domestic cutting permit" means a permit issued under the *Cutting of Timber Regulations* to cut up to 36 cubic metres stacked of timber for personal use and to give as a gift and not for sale or barter;

(3) Section 2 of the regulations is amended by adding immediately after paragraph (g) the following:

(g.1) "mill waste management plan" means a plan referred to in section 17;

(4) Paragraph 2(i) of the regulations is repealed.

2. Section 10 of the regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

Particulars of
licence

10. A licence shall be in the form set by the minister and shall state

- (a) the licence number;
- (b) the terms and conditions of the licence;
- (c) the location of the mill;
- (d) the approved production level which may be produced under the licence; and
- (e) the name of the person or company responsible for the mill.

3. Section 17 of the regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

Management of mill waste

17. (1) Mill waste shall be stored and disposed of in a location or manner that does not

(a) result in undue harm to the environment; or

(b) cause a fire hazard.

(2) Where the minister or a forestry official considers it necessary, the minister or forestry official may request that a mill owner provide a mill waste management plan.

(3) Where a mill owner receives a request under subsection (2), the mill owner shall submit a mill waste management plan to the minister or forestry official for approval.

(4) A mill waste management plan shall

(a) be submitted in the form and manner set by the minister; and

(b) include details regarding the measures to be taken to prevent undue harm to the environment and prevent fire hazards.

(5) The minister or forestry official may approve, reject or request amendments to the mill waste management plan.

(6) A mill owner referred to in subsection (3) shall comply with the mill waste management plan approved by the minister or forestry official.

4. Section 19 of the regulations is amended by deleting the words "he or she" and substituting the words "the licensee".

5. Section 20 of the regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

Fire hazard

20. A mill owner shall not carry out mill operations where the mill operations constitute a forest fire risk.

6. The regulations are amended by adding immediately after section 20 the following:

Penalty

20.1 (1) A person who continues to operate a mill after a mill licence has been suspended or cancelled or all or a part of mill operations have been suspended is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine in the amount of \$2,500.

(2) Where an offence under these regulations is committed or continued on more than one day, the person who committed the offence is liable to be convicted for a separate offence for each day on which the offence is committed or continued.

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