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*Effective November 28, 2023, subsection 3(6) of the *Regulations Act* was replaced. (See subsection 3(5) of Chapter 54 of the Acts of 2022, *An Act to Amend Chapter 393 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Regulations Act.*)

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Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

Order dated March 27, 2025
made by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board
pursuant to Section 14 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Act*and Sections 16 to 19 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations*

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Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

Order dated March 31, 2025
made by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board
pursuant to Section 14 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Act*and Sections 16 to 19 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations*

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N.S. Reg. 68/2025

Made: March 18, 2025 Filed: April 1, 2025

Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Regulations-amendment

Order dated March 18, 2025

Amendment to regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs pursuant to subsection 383(1) of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*

In the matter of subsection 383(1) of Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008, the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*

-and-

In the matter of an amendment to the Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs

Order

I, John Lohr, Minister of Municipal Affairs for the Province of Nova Scotia, pursuant to subsection 383(1) of Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008, the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*, hereby amend the *Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 218/2024, made by order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated October 15, 2024, in the manner set forth in the attached Schedule "A".

This order is effective on and after the date that it is filed with the Registrar of Regulations.

Dated and made March 18, 2025, at Halifax Regional Municipality, Province of Nova Scotia.

sgd. *John Lohr* Honourable John Lohr Minister of Municipal Affairs

Schedule "A"

Amendment to the Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs under subsection 383(1) of Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008, the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter

- Section 2 of the *Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 218/2024, made by order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated October 15, 2024, is amended by adding the following definition immediately after the definition of "Act":
 - "code of conduct training" means online training on the Municipality's code of conduct developed by the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities and approved by the Minister, or other training approved by the Minister;
- 2 The regulations are further amended by adding the following Section immediately after Section 5:

Code of conduct training

5A (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), an elected official must complete code of conduct

training no later than 30 days after the date that they are declared elected.

(2) An elected official who is in office when this Section comes into force must complete code of conduct training no later than 30 days after the effective date of this Section.

N.S. Reg. 69/2025

Made: March 18, 2025 Filed: April 1, 2025

Code of Conduct for Municipal Elected Officials Regulations-amendment

Order dated March 18, 2025 Amendment to regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs pursuant to Section 520 of the *Municipal Government Act*

In the matter of Section 520 of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

-and-

In the matter of an amendment to the Code of Conduct for Municipal Elected Officials Regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs

Order

I, John Lohr, Minister of Municipal Affairs for the Province of Nova Scotia, pursuant to Section 520 of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the *Municipal Government Act*, hereby amend the *Code of Conduct for Municipal Elected Officials Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 219/2024, made by order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated October 15, 2024, in the manner set forth in the attached Schedule "A".

This order is effective on and after the date it is filed with the Registrar of Regulations.

Dated and made March 18, 2025, at Halifax Regional Municipality, Province of Nova Scotia.

sgd. *John Lohr* Honourable John Lohr Minister of Municipal Affairs

Schedule "A"

Amendment to the Code of Conduct for Municipal Elected Officials Regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs under Section 520 of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

Section 2 of the *Code of Conduct for Municipal Elected Officials Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 219/2024, made by order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated October 15, 2024, is amended by adding the following definition immediately after the definition of "Act":

"code of conduct training" means online training on the municipality's code of conduct developed by the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities and approved by the Minister, or other training approved by the Minister;

2 The regulations are further amended by adding the following Section immediately after Section 5:

Code of conduct training

- **5A** (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), an elected official must complete code of conduct training no later than 30 days after the date that they are declared elected.
 - (2) An elected official who is in office when this Section comes into force must complete code of conduct training no later than 30 days after the effective date of this Section.

N.S. Reg. 70/2025

Made: March 18, 2025 Filed: April 1, 2025

Code of Conduct for Village Elected Officials Regulations-amendment

Order dated March 18, 2025 Amendment to regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs pursuant to Section 520 of the *Municipal Government Act*

In the matter of Section 520 of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

-and-

In the matter of an amendment to the Code of Conduct for Village Elected Officials Regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs

Order

I, John Lohr, Minister of Municipal Affairs for the Province of Nova Scotia, pursuant to Section 520 of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the *Municipal Government Act*, hereby amend the *Code of Conduct for Village Elected Officials Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 220/2024, made by order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated October 15, 2024, in the manner set forth in the attached Schedule "A".

This order is effective on and after the date that it is filed with the Registrar of Regulations.

Dated and made March 18, 2025, at Halifax Regional Municipality, Province of Nova Scotia.

sgd. *John Lohr* Honourable John Lohr Minister of Municipal Affairs

Schedule "A"

Amendment to the Code of Conduct for Village Elected Officials Regulations made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs under Section 520 of Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

Section 2 of the *Code of Conduct for Village Elected Officials Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 220/2024, made by order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated October 15, 2024, is amended by adding the following definition immediately after the definition of "Act":

"code of conduct training" means online training on the village's code of conduct developed by the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities and approved by the Minister, or other training approved by the Minister;

2 The regulations are further amended by adding the following Section immediately after Section 5:

Code of conduct training

- **5A** (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), an elected official must complete code of conduct training no later than 30 days after the date that they are declared elected.
 - (2) An elected official who is in office when this Section comes into force must complete code of conduct training no later than 30 days after the effective date of this Section.

N.S. Reg. 71/2025

Made: April 3, 2025 Filed: April 3, 2025

Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

Order dated April 3, 2025
made by the Nova Scotia Energy Board
pursuant to Section 14 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Act*and Sections 16 to 19 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations*

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N.S. Reg. 72/2025

Made: April 3, 2025 Filed: April 3, 2025

Cannabis Retail Regulations-replacement

Order in Council 2025-100 dated April 3, 2025
Repeal of regulations and regulations made by the Governor in Council pursuant to Section 14 of the *Cannabis Control Act*

The Governor in Council on the report and recommendation of the Minister of Finance and Treasury Board dated February 14, 2025, and pursuant to Section 14 of Chapter 3 of the Acts of 2018, the *Cannabis Control Act*, is pleased, effective on and after April 3, 2025, to

- (a) repeal the *Cannabis Retail Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 203/2019, made by the Governor in Council by Order in Council 2019-356 dated December 17, 2019; and
- (b) make new regulations respecting retail sales of cannabis in the form set forth in Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of the report and recommendation.

Schedule "A"

Regulations Respecting the Retail Sale of Cannabis made by the Governor in Council under Section 14 of Chapter 3 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, 2018, the Cannabis Control Act

Citation

1 These regulations may be cited as the *Cannabis Retail Regulations*.

Definitions

2 In these regulations,

"authorization certificate" means a certificate issued by the Corporation under Section 5;

"band" means a band within the meaning of the *Indian Act* (Canada);

"band-owned corporation" means a corporation all of the shares of which are owned by a band;

"cannabis extract" means cannabis extract as defined in the *Cannabis Regulations* made under the *Cannabis Act* (Canada), the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* (Canada) and the *Food and Drugs Act* (Canada);

"certified cannabis seller" means an authorized cannabis seller, other than the Corporation, who has been issued an authorization certificate;

"person" includes a band and a band-owned corporation;

"premises" means a retail premises contained in a non-movable building that is permanently affixed to the ground and located on a reserve;

"reserve" means a reserve within the meaning of the *Indian Act* (Canada).

Authorized cannabis sellers under these regulations

3 For the purposes of subclause (ii) of the definition of "authorized cannabis seller" in the Act, a person that is a band or a band-owned corporation may be authorized under these regulations to sell cannabis by entering into an authorized cannabis seller agreement.

Authorized cannabis seller agreement

- 4 (1) The Corporation may enter into an authorized cannabis seller agreement with a person described in Section 3 for the wholesale sale of cannabis by the Corporation to the person, and the retail sale of cannabis by the person.
 - (2) An authorized cannabis seller agreement must provide for all of the following:
 - (a) the address of the premises where the person is authorized to sell cannabis;
 - (b) the requirements that the person must comply with in order to sell cannabis, in addition to the requirements of these regulations;
 - (c) the date that the person's status as an authorized cannabis seller takes effect;
 - (d) any additional terms and conditions as are agreed to by the person and the Corporation.
 - (3) An authorized cannabis seller agreement ceases to have effect when it is terminated by either party or the term of the agreement expires.

Authorization certificate

- 5 (1) The Corporation must issue a certificate to a person with whom they have entered into an authorized cannabis seller agreement that shows that the person is an authorized cannabis seller under the Act and a certified cannabis seller under these regulations.
 - (2) The effective date of the authorization certificate is the date identified in the authorized cannabis seller agreement.
 - (3) A certified cannabis seller must prominently display their authorization certificate at the premises identified on the authorization certificate.

Termination of authorized cannabis seller agreement and cancellation of certificate

- 6 (1) All of the following occur when an authorized cannabis seller agreement ceases to have effect:
 - (a) the person ceases to be an authorized cannabis seller;
 - (b) the person ceases to be a certified cannabis seller, except for the purposes of Section 10 and Section 11 of these regulations;
 - (c) the person's authorization certificate is cancelled and must not be publicly displayed.
 - (2) When an authorized cannabis seller agreement ceases to have effect, the person must
 - (a) return their cancelled authorization certificate to the Corporation upon request by the Corporation or an employee of the Corporation; and
 - (b) return all cannabis to the Corporation upon request by the Corporation and in accordance with the authorized cannabis seller agreement.

Sale of cannabis by certified cannabis seller

- 7 (1) A certified cannabis seller may only sell cannabis that meets all of the following requirements:
 - (a) it is in its original package;
 - (b) the amount sold in a transaction does not exceed 30 g of dried cannabis or the equivalent amount of another class of cannabis, as determined in accordance with Schedule 3 of the federal Act.
 - (2) A certified cannabis seller may sell cannabis only
 - (a) at the premises identified on their authorization certificate; and
 - (b) when the purchaser is present at the premises.
 - (3) A certified cannabis seller must appoint a store manager in accordance with the terms of their authorized cannabis seller agreement.
 - (4) A certified cannabis seller must comply with all requirements, terms and conditions of their authorized cannabis seller agreement.
 - (5) A certified cannabis seller must not permit cannabis to be sampled on its premises.

Selling flavoured cannabis extract prohibited

- An authorized cannabis seller must not sell cannabis extract intended to be consumed by means of inhalation that meets any of the following criteria:
 - (a) it has a characterizing scent or flavour, other than cannabis, that is noticeable before or during use, or both:
 - (b) it contains a synthetic flavouring agent;
 - (c) it is represented by its packaging or labelling as having a flavour other than cannabis.

Young persons and premises

- 9 (1) A certified cannabis seller who sells products other than cannabis at their premises must design the premises so that young persons cannot see or gain access to the areas where cannabis is displayed, sold or stored.
 - (2) A certified cannabis seller who does not sell products other than cannabis at their premises must not allow young persons to enter the premises.

Books, records and reporting

- 10 (1) A certified cannabis seller must maintain adequate records of cannabis transactions by doing all of the following:
 - (a) maintaining books of account, records and documents related to cannabis for recording all of the following:
 - (i) purchase transactions,
 - (ii) sales transactions,

- (iii) inventory,
- (iv) information that is required to meet tracking obligations under the federal Act, its regulations and its orders,
- (v) any additional information required by the Corporation;
- (b) maintaining a point-of-sale system at the premises that enables them to meet the requirements of clause (a) and subsection (2);
- (c) providing the Corporation with any records, documents or other information the Corporation requires to satisfy the Corporation that the authorized cannabis seller is complying with the Act, these regulations and the authorized cannabis seller agreement;
- (d) permitting an employee of the Corporation, the Corporation's appointee, or an employee of the Corporation's appointee to enter its premises in accordance with Section 11.
- (2) Each month, a certified cannabis seller must submit to the Corporation, as the public body referred to in subsection 5(2) of the Cannabis Tracking System Order made under the federal Act, all of the information required to be submitted to a public body in accordance with that order.
- (3) A certified cannabis seller must maintain the books, records and documents required by subsection (1) at their premises or at their head office for at least 7 years.

Inspections of premises by Corporation

- 11 (1) The Corporation may appoint an employee or other person to enter and inspect certified cannabis sellers' premises for the purposes of ensuring compliance with the Act, these regulations and the authorized cannabis seller agreements.
 - (2) In carrying out an inspection of a certified cannabis seller's premises, the Corporation's employee or appointee, or an employee of the Corporation's appointee, may do any of the following:
 - (a) inspect, audit, examine and make copies of any books of account, records or documents related to the purchase and sale of cannabis;
 - (b) interview the store manager and any other employees of the seller.

Employees of certified cannabis seller

Any employee of a certified cannabis seller who handles or sells cannabis, or who could view or be exposed to cannabis, must be 19 years old or older.

Disposing of cannabis

- 13 Without the prior written authorization of the Corporation, a certified cannabis seller must not do any of the following:
 - (a) destroy cannabis;
 - (b) dispose of cannabis other than by a retail sales transaction that is in compliance with the Act, the federal Act, these regulations and the authorized cannabis seller agreement.

N.S. Reg. 73/2025

Made: April 7, 2025 Filed: April 7, 2025

Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

Order dated April 7, 2025
made by the Nova Scotia Energy Board
pursuant to Section 14 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Act*and Sections 16 to 19 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations*

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N.S. Reg. 74/2025

Made: March 26, 2025 Filed: April 8, 2025

Turkey Farmers of Nova Scotia Regulations-amendment

Order dated April 8, 2025

Amendment to regulations made by the Natural Products Marketing Council pursuant to Section 9 of the *Natural Products Act*

Natural Products Marketing Council

I certify that the Natural Products Marketing Council, pursuant to Section 9 of Chapter 308 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the *Natural Products Act*, at its meeting on March 26, 2025, carried a motion to amend the *Turkey Farmers of Nova Scotia Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 266/92, made by the Natural Products Marketing Council on December 8, 1992, in the manner set forth in the attached Schedule "A", effective on and after April 27, 2025.

Signed at Truro, in the County of Colchester, Nova Scotia on April 8, 2025.

Natural Products Marketing Council

per: sgd. *Danielle Dorn Kouwenberg* Danielle Dorn Kouwenberg Manager

Schedule "A"

Amendment to the *Turkey Farmers of Nova Scotia Regulations*made by the Natural Products Marketing Council under Section 9 of Chapter 308 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the *Natural Products Act*

Subsection 11(3) of the *Turkey Farmers of Nova Scotia Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 266/92, made by the Natural Products Marketing Council on December 8, 1992, is amended by striking out "\$0.0565" and substituting "\$0.0675" in clause (a).

N.S. Reg. 75/2025

Made: April 8, 2025 Filed: April 8, 2025

Proclamation of amendments to Act, S. 28, S.N.S. 2024, c. 12–S. 1 and 2, 4 to 8 and 10 to 23

Order in Council 2025-110 dated April 8, 2025 Proclamation made by the Governor in Council pursuant to Section 28 of

An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2021, the Interim Residential Rental Increase Cap Act, and Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act

The Governor in Council on the report and recommendation of the Minister of Sevice Nova Scotia dated February 20, 2025, pursuant to Section 28 of Chapter 12 of the Acts of 2024, An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2021, the Interim Residential Rental Increase Cap Act, and Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act, is pleased to order and declare by proclamation that Sections 1 and 2, 4 to 8 and 10 to 23 of Chapter 12 of the Acts of 2024, An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2021, the Interim Residential Rental Increase Cap Act, and Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act, do come into force on and not before April 30, 2025.

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Canada Province of Nova Scotia

Charles the Third, by the Grace of God King of Canada and His Other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth.

To all to whom these presents shall come, or whom the same may in any wise concern,

Greeting!

A Proclamation

Whereas in and by Section 28 of Chapter 12 of the Acts of 2024, An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2021, the Interim Residential Rental Increase Cap Act, and Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act, it is enacted as follows:

28 Sections 1 and 2, 4 to 8 and 10 to 23 come into force on such day as the Governor in Council orders and declares by proclamation.

And Whereas it is deemed expedient that Sections 1 and 2, 4 to 8 and 10 to 23 of Chapter 12 of the Acts of 2024, An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2021, the Interim Residential Rental Increase Cap Act, and Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act, do come into force on and not before April 30, 2025;

Now Know Ye That We, by and with the advice of the Executive Council of Nova Scotia, do by this Our Proclamation order and declare that Sections 1 and 2, 4 to 8 and 10 to 23 of Chapter 12 of the Acts of 2024, *An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2021, the Interim Residential Rental Increase Cap Act, and Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act*, do come into force on and not before April 30, 2025, of which all persons concerned are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

In Testimony Whereof We have caused these our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Nova Scotia to be hereunto affixed.

Witness, Our Trusty and Well Beloved, Michael John Savage, Chancellor of Our Order of Nova Scotia, Lieutenant Governor in and of Our Province of Nova Scotia.

Given at Our Government House in the Halifax Regional Municipality, this 8th day of April in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-five and in the Third year of Our Reign.

By Command:

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY ATTORNEY GENERAL AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE

N.S. Reg. 76/2025

Made: April 8, 2025 Filed: April 8, 2025

Residential Tenancies Regulations-amendment

Order in Council 2025-111 dated April 8, 2025 Amendment to regulations made by the Governor in Council pursuant to Section 26 of the *Residential Tenancies Act*

The Governor in Council on the report and recommendation of the Minister of Service Nova Scotia dated February 20, 2025, and pursuant to Section 26 of Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the *Residential Tenancies Act*, is pleased to amend the *Residential Tenancies Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 190/1989, made by the Governor in Council by Order in Council 89-1118 dated September 26, 1989, to remove forms and references to forms, insert a guideline for tenancy termination, change document submission requirements, and amend the greater rent increase amount application process, in the manner set forth in Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of the report and recommendation, effective on and after April 30, 2025.

Schedule "A"

Amendment to the Residential Tenancies Regulations made by the Governor in Council under Section 26 of Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act

The *Residential Tenancies Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 190/1989, made by the Governor in Council by Order in Council 89-1118 dated September 26, 1989, are amended by repealing Sections 4, 4AA, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, 4F, 4G and 4I and substituting the following Section:

Guideline for determining whether to terminate tenancy due to tenant repeatedly paying rent late under clause 10AF(1)(a) of Act

- For the purposes of subsection 10AF(2) of the Act, when determining whether to terminate a tenancy because the tenant is repeatedly late paying rent under clause 10AF(1)(a) of the Act, the guideline that is prescribed by this Section and that must be considered by the Director is that the minimum number of late payments that justifies termination of a tenancy is 3 late payments.
- 2 Sections 4K and 4L of the regulations are repealed.
- 3 Sections 24C, 24D and 25 of the regulations are repealed.
- 4 (1) Clause 25A(3)(d) of the regulations is repealed and the following clauses substituted:
 - (d) e-mail, if all of the following requirements are met:
 - (i) the receiving party has provided, in the lease or in accordance with Section 7C of the Act, an e-mail address to receive documents,
 - (ii) the submission is sent to the most-recently provided e-mail address referred to in subclause (i),
 - (iii) the sending party has provided, in the lease or in accordance with Section 7C of the Act, an e-mail address to receive documents.
 - (iv) the submission is sent from the most-recently provided e-mail address referred to in subclause (iii);
 - (e) e-mail, if the receiving party consents to receiving the submission by e-mail and the sending party receives a confirmation of delivery from the receiving party, except that the Director does not have to provide consent before receiving submissions by e-mail.
 - (2) Subsection 25A(3A) of the regulations is amended by striking out "clause 25A(3)(d)" and substituting "clause (3)(d) or (e)".
- 5 Section 25AB of the regulations is repealed.
- 6 (1) Subsection 25D(2) of the regulations is repealed and the following subsection substituted:
 - (2) An application must be
 - (a) in the form required by the Director; and

- (b) filed with the Director by the landlord together with both of the following:
 - (i) the form for financial information in support of a rent increase greater than the annual allowable rent increase amount, in the form required by the Director,
 - (ii) payment of the application fee set out in Section 33 of these regulations.
- (2) Clause 25D(3)(b) of the regulations is amended by striking out "Notice of Rent Increase for Manufactured Home Space in Form M" and substituting "notice of rent increase for a manufactured home space, in the form required by the Director".
- (3) Subsections 25D(4) and (5) of the regulations are repealed and the following subsections substituted:
 - (4) A landlord must do all of the following:
 - (a) serve both of the documents referred to in subsection (3) on each tenant named in the application by a method of service provided for in subsection 13(2A) of the Act;
 - (b) return a copy of the certificate of service, in the form that is attached to the form for an application, to the Director no later than 14 days after the deadline for service set out in subsection (3).
 - (5) If the landlord does not comply with subsection (3) or (4), the Director must dismiss the application and refuse the rent increase amount requested by the landlord.
- (4) Subsection 25D(6) of the regulations is amended by striking out "Form O: Financial Information in Support of a Rent Increase Greater Than Annual Allowable Rent Increase Amount provided by the landlord to the Director" and substituting "form for financial information in support of a rent increase greater than the annual allowable rent increase amount that was filed with the Director by the landlord under subclause (2)(b)(i)".
- (5) Subsection 25D(7) of the regulations is amended by striking out "14" and substituting "30".
- (6) Subsection 25D(10) of the regulations is amended by
 - (a) striking out "require" and substituting "request"; and
 - (b) striking out "Form O: Financial Information in Support of a Rent Increase Greater Than Annual Allowable Rent Increase Amount" and substituting "the form for financial information in support of a rent increase greater than the annual allowable rent increase amount that was filed with the Director by the landlord under subclause (2)(b)(i)".
- (7) Section 25D of the regulations is further amended by adding the following subsections immediately after subsection (10):
 - (10A) If the Director requests that a landlord submit additional documentation under subsection (10), the landlord must submit the additional documentation no later than 14 days after the date the request is made by the Director.
 - (10B) The Director may dismiss the application and refuse the rent increase amount requested by the landlord in any of the following circumstances:

- (a) the landlord has not complied with subsection (10A);
- (b) the application is incomplete;
- (c) the form for financial information in support of a rent increase greater than the annual allowable rent increase amount that was filed with the Director by the landlord under subclause (2)(b)(i) is incomplete.
- (8) Clause 25D(11)(a) of the regulations is amended by striking out "Form O: Financial Information in Support of a Rent Increase Greater Than Annual Allowable Rent Increase Amount filed by the landlord" and substituting "the form for financial information in support of a rent increase greater than the annual allowable rent increase amount that was filed with the Director by the landlord under subclause (2)(b)(i)".
- (9) Clause 25D(11)(d) of the regulations is amended by striking out "subsection (10)" and substituting "subsection (10A)".
- 7 Section 34 of the regulations is repealed.
- 8 The table in Section 35 of the regulations is repealed and the following table substituted:

Form	Purpose of Form
A	Inventory of tenant's abandoned personal property under subsection 5(3) of Act and Section 23 of regulations
В	Accounting of sale of abandoned personal property under Section 24B of regulations

9 Forms C, C1, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, L, L1, M, N, O, P, Q, R and S of the regulations are repealed.