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In force date of regulations: As of March 5, 2005*, the date that a regulation comes into force is determined by subsection 3(6) of the *Regulations Act*. The date that a regulation is filed and any specified effective dates are important in determining when the regulation is in force.

*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*.)

N.S. Reg. 163/2026

Made: July 2, 2026

Filed: July 2, 2026

Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

Order dated July 2, 2026
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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<https://nserbt.ca/nseb/mandates/gasoline-diesel-pricing>.]

N.S. Reg. 164/2026

Made: July 8, 2026

Filed: July 9, 2026

Road Trails Designation

Order dated July 8, 2026
Designation made by the Minister of Public Works
pursuant to subsections 37(1) and (3) of the *Road Trails Act*

**In the matter of subsections 37(1) and (3) of Chapter 4
of the Acts of 2023, the *Road Trails Act***

-and-

**In the matter of the designation of portions of public highways
as road trails for the purpose of the *Road Trails Act***

Order

I, Fred Tilley, Minister of Public Works for the Province of Nova Scotia, pursuant to subsections 37(1) and (3) of Chapter 4 of the Acts of 2023, the *Road Trails Act*, hereby

- (a) repeal Appendix P: Route 308 (Tusket, Yarmouth County) to the designation of road trails, N.S. Reg. 2/2025, made by the Minister of Public Works by order dated January 7, 2025; and
- (b) designate portions of public highways located on lands owned by His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of Nova Scotia, and under the administration and control of the Minister of Public Works, at Tusket, Yarmouth County, in the Province of Nova Scotia as described in and as shown in bold lines on the map attached in Schedule "A" as a road trail for the purpose of the *Road Trails Act*.

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

Dated and made July 8, 2026, at Halifax Regional Municipality, Province of Nova Scotia.

sgd. *Fred Tilley*
Honourable Fred Tilley
Minister of Public Works

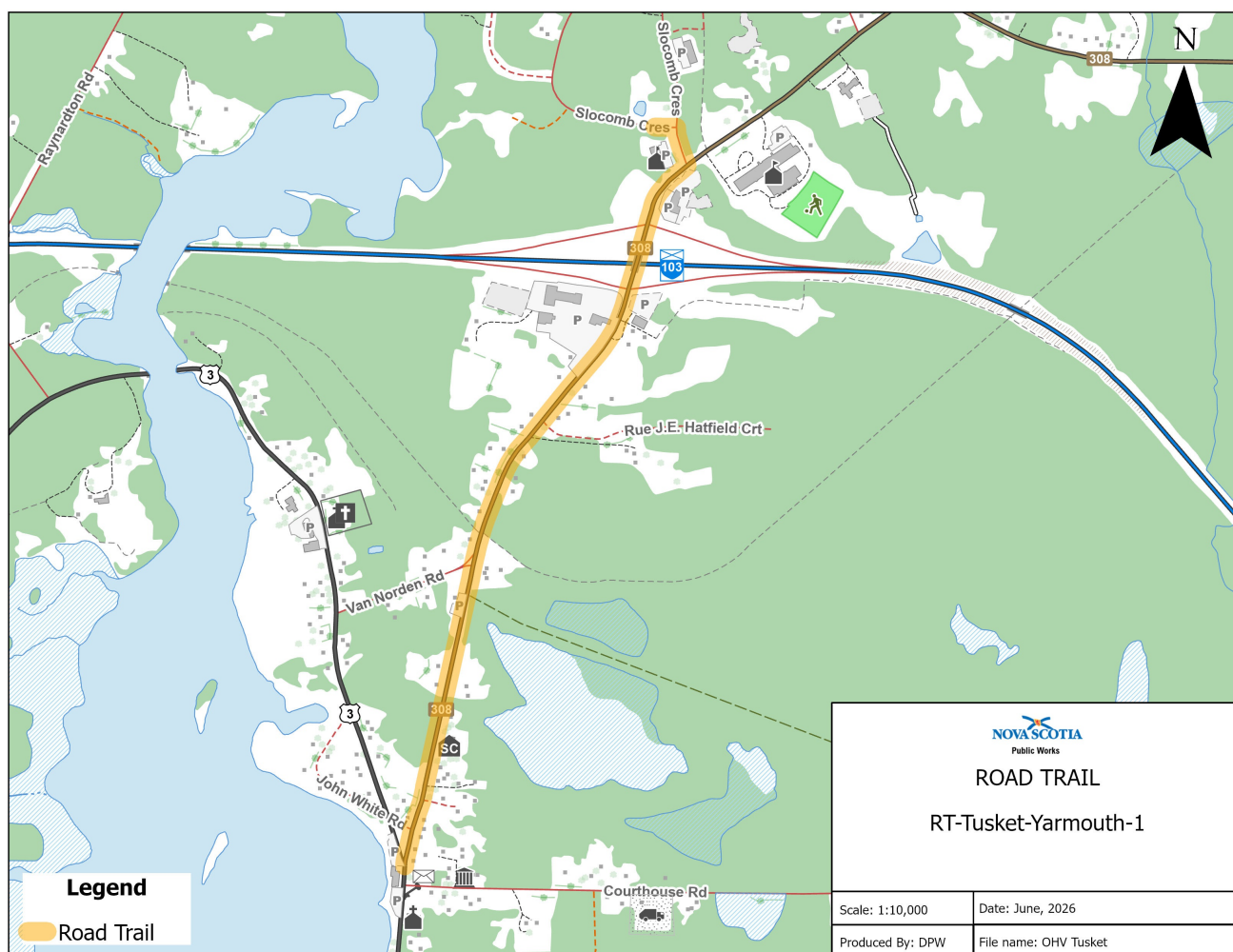
Schedule "A"

Location of Designated Road Trail

Coordinates are decimal degrees map coordinates taken from Google Earth.

Appendix P: Route 308 (Tusket, Yarmouth County)

The road trail begins at coordinates 43.855263, -65.974690 on Trunk 3 and travels northerly on Route 308 for 1.8 km. The road trail continues west on Slocomb Crescent for 0.062 km and concludes at 20 Slocomb Crescent at coordinates 43.870246, -65.968510.



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Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

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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 July 13, 2026
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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Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

Order dated July 14, 2026
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. 168/2026

Made: July 14, 2026

Filed: July 14, 2026

Hospitals Regulations—amendment

Order in Council 2026-223 dated July 14, 2026
Amendment to regulations made by the Governor in Council
pursuant to Section 17 of the *Hospitals Act*

The Governor in Council on the report and recommendation of the Minister of Health and Wellness dated July 9, 2026, and pursuant to Chapter 208 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the *Hospitals Act* (the “Act”), is pleased, effective on and after July 14, 2026, to

- (a) pursuant to Section 4 of the Act,
 - (i) revoke the approval given by Order in Council 2026-172, dated May 26, 2026, and
 - (ii) approve operating room facilities operated by the Dalhousie Faculty of Dentistry at 5981 University Avenue, Halifax, as a hospital, from July 14, 2026, to March 31, 2028, inclusive; and
- (b) pursuant to Section 17 of the Act, amend the *Hospitals Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 53/2015, made by the Governor in Council by Order in Council 2015-77 dated March 24, 2015, to add operating room facilities operated by the Dalhousie Faculty of Dentistry to the list of approved hospitals, in the manner set forth in Schedule “A” attached to and forming part of the report and recommendation.

Schedule “A”

**Amendment to the *Hospitals Regulations*
made by the Governor in Council under Section 17
of Chapter 208 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989,
the *Hospitals Act***

The table in Schedule A—Approved Hospitals to the *Hospitals Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 53/2015, made by the Governor in Council by Order in Council 2015-77 dated March 24, 2015, is amended by striking out the row beginning with “Operating room facilities operated by the Dalhousie Faculty of Medicine” and substituting the following row:

Operating room facilities operated by the Dalhousie Faculty of Dentistry, from July 14, 2026, to March 31, 2028, inclusive.	5981 University Avenue, Halifax
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N.S. Reg. 169/2026

Made: December 16, 2025

Approved: June 4, 2026

Filed: July 14, 2026

Wentworth Marsh Body Land Use Regulations

Order dated December 16, 2025

Regulations made by the Wentworth Marsh Body
and approved by the Agricultural Marshlands Conservation Commission
pursuant to clause 14(e) of the *Agricultural Marshland Conservation Act*

Marsh Body Land Use Regulations**“Wentworth” Marsh Body**

I certify that the “Wentworth” Marsh Body, pursuant to clause 14(e) [of] Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2000, the *Agricultural Marshland Conservation Act*, at a meeting held on “December 16, 2025 r”, adopted regulations respecting land use in the form set out in Schedule “A”, effective upon the approval by the Agricultural Marshlands Conservation Commission.

Signed at (city/town) Poplar Grove, (county name) Hants, Nova Scotia, on (date certificate signed) December 16, 2025.

“Wentworth” Marsh Body

per: Chair “Wentworth” Marsh Body
Signature sgd. *S. Shaw O’Leary*

Approved by the Agricultural Marshlands Conservation Commission at “Location” [sic] [on] (date approved by AMCC) June 4/26.

Agricultural Marshlands Conservation Commission

per: (name) sgd. *Victor Oulton*
(title/position) Chair

Wentworth Marsh Body Land Use Regulations
made under clause 14(e) of the
Agricultural Marshland Conservation Act
S.N.S. 2000, c. 22

- 1) These regulations may be cited as the *Wentworth Marsh Body Land Use Regulations*.
- 2) (1) No person shall construct works or use or develop lands within, on, or affecting the Wentworth Marsh Body marshland sections in any way that is not conducive to and in conformity with sound agricultural purposes and practices.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), uses and activities deemed to be conducive to and in conformity with sound agricultural purposes and practices include the following:
 - (a) the tilling of soil;

- (b) the planting and harvesting of crops;
- (c) the growing of grains and forage crops for livestock feed;
- (d) the growing of grass and legume crops;
- (e) the growing of food crops for human consumption;
- (f) the spreading of manure;
- (g) the spreading of commercial (chemical) and natural fertilizer;
- (h) the spreading of limestone;
- (i) pest and weed control;
- (j) pre-existing, non-conforming uses, only where and as they presently exist (e.g. driving range and remote-controlled airplane clubs, sewer treatment plants, railway).

3) [(3)] For the purposes of subsection (1), non-permitted works, uses or developments include the following:

- (a) land-fill sites or dumps of any kind;
- (b) recreational activities of any kind without permission;
- (c) residential or commercial structures;
- (d) drilled well for non-agricultural uses;
- (e) sewage treatment plants or lagoons;
- (f) industrial structures or uses;
- (g) ponds for non-agricultural uses;
- (h) no hunting without permission;
- (i) top soil and sod removal.

N.S. Reg. 170/2026

Made: July 14, 2026

Filed: July 14, 2026

Proclamation, S. 18, S.N.S. 2026, c. 1—S. 8 and 9 (re amendments to the *Housing in the Halifax Regional Municipality Act*)

Order in Council 2026-228 dated July 14, 2026
Proclamation made by the Governor in Council
pursuant to Section 18 of
An Act Respecting Administrative Measures for Housing

The Governor in Council on the report and recommendation of the Minister of Housing dated June 10, 2026, pursuant to Section 18 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of 2026, *An Act Respecting Administrative Measures for Housing*, and subsection 3(7) of Chapter 235 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the *Interpretation Act*, is pleased to order and declare by proclamation that Sections 8 and 9 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of 2026, *An Act Respecting Administrative Measures for Housing*, do come into force on and not before July 14, 2026.

L.S.

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 18 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of 2026, *An Act Respecting Administrative Measures for Housing*, it is enacted as follows:

- 18** Sections 1, 8, 9 and 15 come into force on such day as the Governor in Council orders and declares by proclamation.

And Whereas it is deemed expedient that Sections 8 and 9 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of 2026, *An Act Respecting Administrative Measures for Housing*, do come into force on and not before July 14, 2026;

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 8 and 9 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of 2026, *An Act Respecting Administrative Measures for Housing*, do come into force on and not before July 14, 2026, 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 14th day of July in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-six and in the Fourth year of Our Reign.

By Command:

**PROVINCIAL SECRETARY
ATTORNEY GENERAL AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE**

N.S. Reg. 171/2026

Made: July 14, 2026

Filed: July 14, 2026

Order Criteria and Factors Regulations

Order in Council 2026-229 dated July 14, 2026
Regulations made by the Governor in Council
pursuant to Section 23 of the *Housing in the Halifax Regional Municipality Act*

The Governor in Council on the report and recommendation of the Minister of Housing dated June 8, 2026, and pursuant to Section 23 of Chapter 21 of the Acts of 2021, the *Housing in the Halifax Regional Municipality Act* (the “Act”), is pleased to make new regulations setting criteria and factors to be considered by the Minister when issuing orders under Section 21A of the Act, in the form set forth in Schedule “A” attached to and forming part of the report and recommendation, effective on and after July 14, 2026.

Schedule “A”

**Regulations Respecting Criteria and Factors to be Considered
by the Minister when Issuing Orders under Section 21A
made by the Governor in Council under Section 23
of Chapter 21 of the Acts of 2021,
the *Housing in the Halifax Regional Municipality Act***

Citation

1 These regulations may be cited as the *Order Criteria and Factors Regulations*.

Definitions

2 In these regulations,

“Act” means the *Housing in the Halifax Regional Municipality Act*;

“Board” means the Nova Scotia Regulatory and Appeals Board;

“order” means an order that the Minister may issue to the Municipality or a utility owned by the Municipality under Section 21A of the Act.

Criteria and factors for issuing orders

3 Before issuing an order, the Minister must consider all of the following:

- (a) relevant and available data and information respecting water resources and wastewater and stormwater capacity;
- (b) public health and safety;

- (c) existing municipal and utility capital planning, and the condition of assets and infrastructure;
 - (d) the potential impact to provincial, municipal and utility budgets, finances, and human resources;
 - (e) the potential impact to rates, fees and charges;
 - (f) any existing or potential funding sources or funding agreements;
 - (g) any potential compliance issues with respect to federal or provincial legislation or Board orders and decisions;
 - (h) any relevant information provided by the Municipality or the utility owned by the Municipality;
 - (i) whether discussions with the Municipality and the utility owned by the Municipality to identify mutually beneficial solutions have occurred.
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N.S. Reg. 172/2026

Made: July 14, 2026

Filed: July 14, 2026

Order Criteria and Factors Regulations

Order in Council 2026-230 dated July 14, 2026

Regulations made by the Governor in Council

pursuant to Section 277B of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*

The Governor in Council on the report and recommendation of the Minister of Municipal Affairs dated June 4, 2026, and pursuant to Section 277B of Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008, the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter* (the “Act”), is pleased to make new regulations setting criteria and factors to be considered by the Minister when issuing orders under Section 223B of the Act, in the form set forth in Schedule “A” attached to and forming part of the report and recommendation, effective on and after July 14, 2026.

Schedule “A”

**Regulations Respecting Criteria and Factors to be Considered
by the Minister when Issuing Orders under Section 223B
made by the Governor in Council under Section 277B
of Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008,
the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter***

Citation

1 These regulations may be cited as the *Order Criteria and Factors Regulations*.

Definitions

2 In these regulations,

“Act” means the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*;

“order” means an order that the Minister may issue under Section 223B of the Act to extend or alter an urban service area;

“urban service area” means an urban service area as defined in Section 223B of the Act.

Criteria and factors for issuing orders

- 3** (1) Before issuing an order, the Minister must consider whether the extension or alteration of the urban service area is related to any of the following:
- (a) materially increasing housing supply;
 - (b) supporting major employment growth;
 - (c) removing barriers to significant economic development opportunities;
 - (d) advancing provincial population growth objectives.
- (2) The Minister must not issue an order unless it is proposed by 1 of the following:
- (a) the Municipality;
 - (b) a department of the provincial government;
 - (c) a Crown agency;
 - (d) another provincial authority.
- (3) In the order, the Minister must state that extending or altering the urban service area does not include a requirement that the Municipality service the area or require or guarantee infrastructure servicing in the area.