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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*.)

**N.S. Reg. 281/2025**

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Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

Order dated December 31, 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*

[Please note: *Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices* filed with the Office of the Registrar of Regulations on and after January 23, 2023, will no longer be published in the *Royal Gazette Part II*. Publication of the *Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices* has been dispensed with by order of the Attorney General dated January 23, 2023, and published on page 63 of the February 10, 2023, issue of the *Royal Gazette Part II*. Current and historical *Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices* are available for inspection in person at the Office of the Registrar of Regulations and can be viewed on the Nova Scotia Energy Board's website at the following address:  
<https://nserbt.ca/nseb/mandates/gasoline-diesel-pricing>.]

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**N.S. Reg. 1/2026**

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Prescribed Petroleum Products Prices

Order dated January 8, 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. 2/2026**

Made: January 13, 2026

Filed: January 13, 2026

Westphal Healthcare Facility Area Order

Order dated January 13, 2026  
made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs  
pursuant to Section 229C of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*

**Westphal Healthcare Facility Area Order**  
**made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs**  
**under Section 229C of Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008,**  
**the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter***

**Whereas** healthcare facilities in the Halifax Regional Municipality are urgently required for the purpose of meeting the healthcare needs of the residents of the Province;

**And whereas** a healthcare facility has been proposed near Old Miller Road and Main Street, Westphal, which will be developed faster and more efficiently with the designation of a healthcare facility area;

**Therefore**, I order the following:

1. A proposed healthcare facility is urgently required for the purpose of Section 229C of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*.
2. The area of the Halifax Regional Municipality located at Old Miller Road and Main Street, Westphal, identified by Parcel Identification Number 40150567, is designated as a healthcare facility area.
3. The healthcare facility area may be referred to as the “Westphal Healthcare Facility Area.”
4. The Westphal Healthcare Facility Area is designated for the purpose of building and operating a healthcare facility, which must be substantially consistent with the drawings, plans and details attached as Schedule “A” to this order.
5. The land within the Westphal Healthcare Facility Area shall be subdivided as indicated in the attached Schedule “B.” The land parcel identified by Parcel Identification Number 40150567 shall be subdivided to create “lot A” as indicated in Schedule “B” and the healthcare facility must be located in the parcel of land identified as “lot A.”
6. Halifax Regional Municipality Bylaw G-200, the *Grade Alteration Bylaw*, does not apply to the land identified as “lot A,” for the purposes of the development of the healthcare facility.
7. Any municipal planning strategies, land-use bylaws, development agreements, policies and subdivision bylaws in force in the Halifax Regional Municipality do not apply to the land identified as “lot A.”
8. Any municipal planning strategies, land-use bylaws, development agreements, policies and subdivision bylaws in force in the Halifax Regional Municipality apply to the remaining lands identified as “Parcel HCC1-R (remaining lands)” in Schedule “B.”

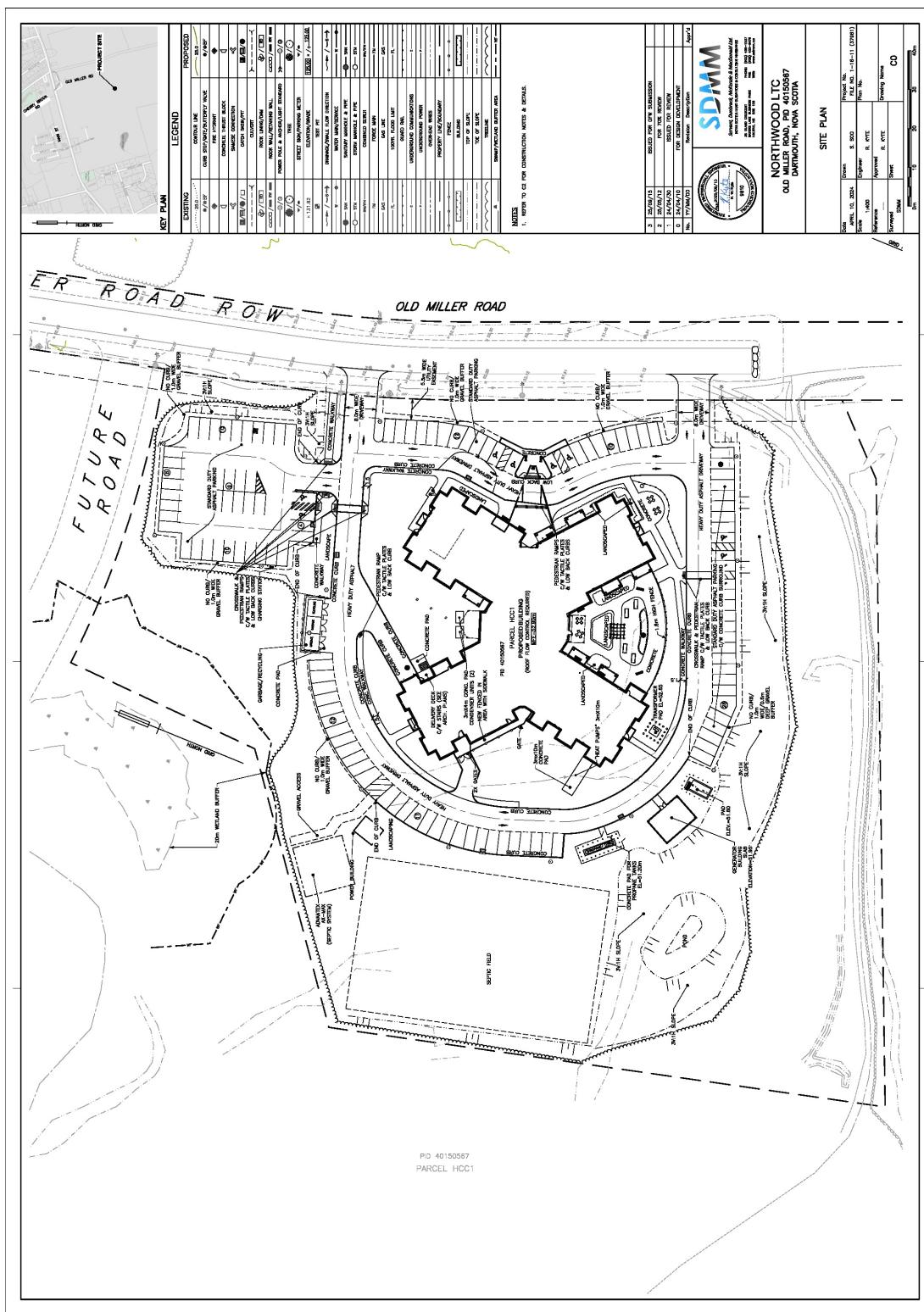
This Order is effective on and after the date it is filed with the Registrar of Regulations.

Dated and made January 13, 2026, at Halifax, Halifax Regional Municipality, Province of Nova Scotia.

sgd. *John A. MacDonald*  
Honourable John A. MacDonald  
Minister of Municipal Affairs

## **Schedule “A”**

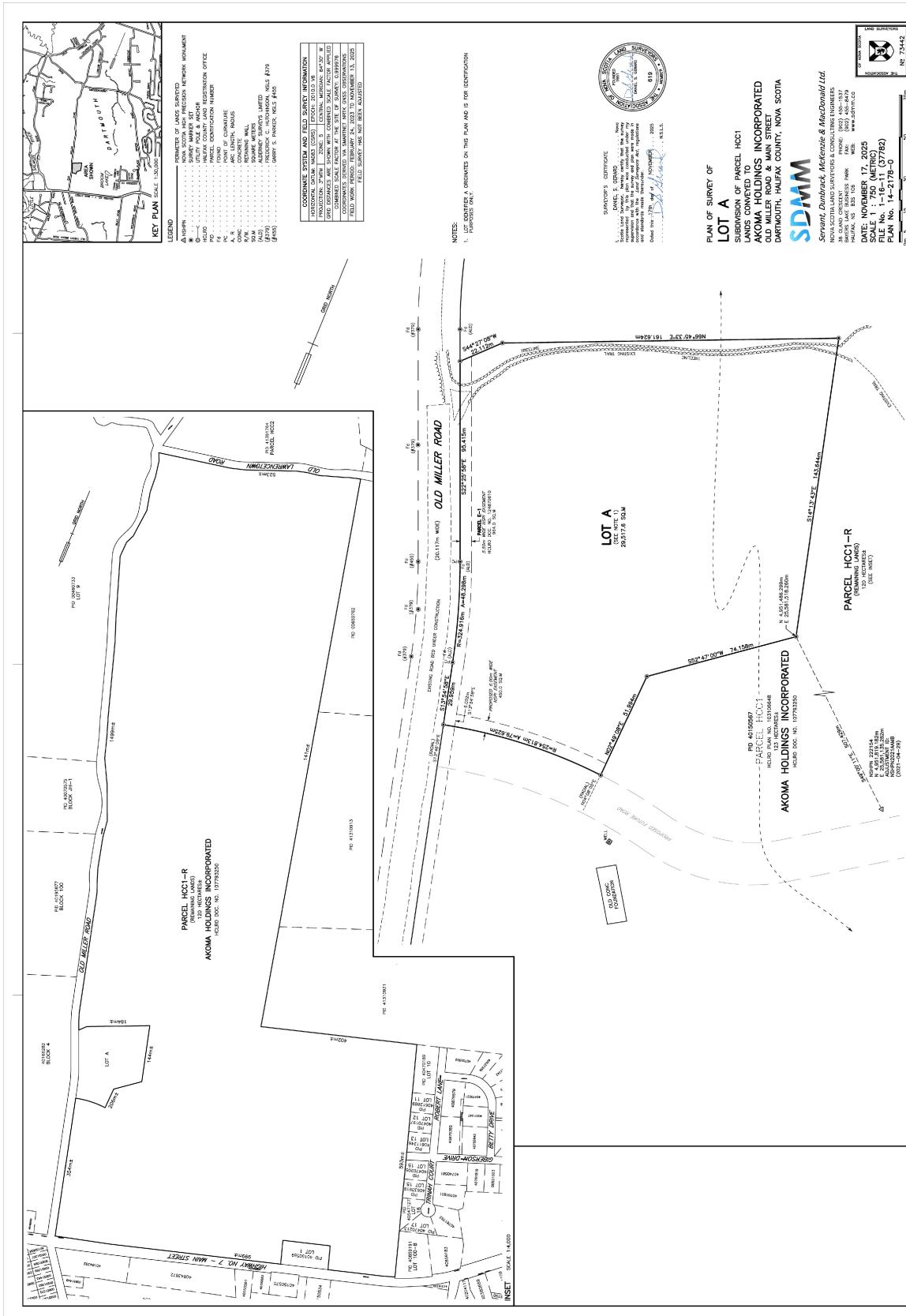
## Westphal Healthcare Facility Area





## **Schedule “B”**

## **Location of Westphal Healthcare Facility (Lot A)**



**N.S. Reg. 3/2026**

Made: January 13, 2026

Filed: January 13, 2026

Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations—amendment

Order dated January 13, 2026

Amendment to regulations made by the Minister of Housing  
pursuant to Section 4 of the *Building Code Act***In the matter of Section 4 of Chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes  
of Nova Scotia, 1989, the *Building Code Act*****-and-****In the matter of an amendment to  
the *Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations*****Order**

I, John White, Minister of Housing for the Province of Nova Scotia, pursuant to Section 4 of Chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the *Building Code Act*, hereby amend the *Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 198/2024, made by order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated September 20, 2024, to prescribe organizations for the purpose of issuing an acceptable product evaluation report, in the manner set forth in the attached Schedule “A” effective on and after February 1, 2026.

Dated and made January 13, 2026, at Halifax Regional Municipality, Province of Nova Scotia.

sgd. *John White*  
Honourable John White  
Minister of Housing

**Schedule “A”****Amendment to the *Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations*  
made by the Minister of Housing under Section 4  
of Chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989,  
the *Building Code Act***

1 Section 59 of the *Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 198/2024, made by order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated September 20, 2024, is repealed and the following Section substituted:

**Sentence 1.1.1.1.(2) (Application of this Code) replaced**

59 Sentences 1.1.1.1.(2) and (3) (Part 1 of Division A) of the *National Building Code* are repealed and replaced with the following:

- 2) Except as provided in Section 10A of the *Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations*, the *Code* applies to both site-assembled and factory-constructed *buildings*. (See Note NS-10A, NSBCR).
- 3) Farm *buildings* shall conform to the requirements in the *National Farm Building Code 1995*.

2 The regulations are further amended by adding the following Section immediately after Section 59:

**Article 1.2.1.2. (Prescribed Organizations) added**

**59A** Subsection 1.2.1. (Part 1 of Division A) of the *National Building Code* is amended by adding the following Article immediately after Article 1.2.1.1.:

**1.2.1.2. Prescribed Organizations**

- 1) A product evaluation report issued by an organization prescribed in Sentence (2) may be accepted for the purpose of Section 11A of the Act.
- 2) The following organizations are prescribed for the purpose of issuing a product evaluation report:
  - a) Canadian Construction Materials Centre (CCMC),
  - b) Ontario Building Materials Evaluation Commission (BMEC), and
  - c) ICC-Evaluation Service (ICC-ES Canada) (See Note NS-59A, NSBCR).

3 Section 65 of the regulations is repealed.

4 Section 66 of the regulations is amended by striking out “NS-69” in the note in Clause 1.3.1.2.(1)(c) and substituting “NS-66”.

5 Section 74 of the regulations is amended by adding “(See Note NS-74, NSBCR)” at the end of Sentence 3.4.6.16.(8).

6 Section 76 of the regulations is amended by

- (a) striking out “Article 3.8.3.21.” and substituting “Article 3.8.3.22.”;
- (b) striking out “3.8.3.22. Sleeping Units in Roofed Accommodations” and substituting “3.8.3.25. Sleeping Units in Roofed Accommodations”; and
- (c) striking out “3.8.3.23.” and substituting “3.8.3.26.”

7 Section 86 of the regulations is amended by striking out “Clause 9.32.3.6.(1)(b)” and substituting “Clause 9.32.3.3.(1)(b)”.

8 The regulations are further amended by adding the following Section immediately after Section 89:

**Table 9.36.8.2. (Energy Performance Tiers) amended**

**89A** Table 9.36.8.2. (Part 9 of Division B) of the *National Building Code* is amended in the row beginning with “3” by striking out “Reserved” under the column titled “Minimum Sum of Energy Conservation Points” and substituting “20”.

9 Section 91 of the regulations is amended by

- (a) adding “(See Note NS-9.38.2.1.(4), NSBCR)” at the end of Sentence 9.38.2.1.(4); and
- (b) adding “(See Note NS-9.38.2.2.(2), NSBCR)” at the end of Clause 9.38.2.2.(2)(c).

10 Section 93 of the regulations is amended by striking out “other” in Sentence 2.4.9.1.(1) and substituting “another”.

11 Schedule “C” to the regulations is amended by

(a) repealing Sentence 3.8.3.6.(17) and substituting the following Sentence:

**17** Except for facilities for persons with cognitive disabilities such as dementia, doorways leading from a *public corridor* or a corridor used by the public that provide access to a public area or an *exit* shall be provided with a door or door frame that has a readily apparent visual contrast with adjacent wall surfaces. (See Note A-3.8.3.6.(17), NBC) (See also Note A-3.4.6.11.(4), NBC).

(b) striking out “9.38.” in Clause 3.8.4.1.(2)(b) and substituting “9.39.”; and

(c) striking out “3.8.2.3.(7)” in Clause 3.8.4.1.(2)(c) and substituting “3.8.2.1.(7)”.

12 The table in Schedule “D” to the regulations is amended in the row beginning with “34” by

(a) striking out “50%” under the column titled “NBC Requirement” and substituting “100%”; and

(b) striking out “Where” under the column titled “Alternative Compliance Methods” and substituting “Except for Group A, assembly occupancies, where”.