

## What is Possessory Title?

Possessory Title is a method of acquiring title or right to land that has been occupied for a statutory period of time as defined by law, under specific conditions.

## What is the statutory period of time?

There are two time periods that apply.

- Sixty years for land that is ungranted.
- Fifteen years for reconveyed land.

Ungranted land: the ownership was always vested with the Department of Energy and Resource Development (ERD).

Reconveyed land: the land was once granted by the Crown but ownership was subsequently returned to the Crown (ERD).

## What are the conditions under which the land must be occupied?

The occupation of the land must be open, visible, uninterrupted and exclusive for the applicable period of time.

## What does this mean to someone occupying Crown land?

If the applicable time and occupation requirements are met, you can submit a claim, in writing, to the Crown Lands Branch - Land Use Application Service Centre at DNR.

## What costs are associated with submitting a Possessory Title claim?

Application fee: \$300.00 plus HST non-refundable

Preparation fee: \$200.00 plus HST non-refundable, if grant/deed issued

## For more information:

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