



Association of Ontario Land Surveyors

HANDBOOK

**For Candidates Applying to Become
Ontario Land Surveyors
Pursuant to the Labour Mobility Provisions
Under the Agreement on Internal Trade**

containing rules, regulations and guidelines

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General Information

Under direction of the Premiers, governments across Canada have been working with regulators to strengthen the labour mobility provisions of the Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT).

On December 5th, 2008, Trade Ministers met and approved the legal text of an amended Chapter 7 on Labour Mobility, as recommended by Labour Market Ministers. With the formal signing off, the amended text came into force on April 1, 2009.

Under the amended AIT, any worker certified for an occupation shall, upon application, be certified for that occupation by each other Party which regulates that occupation without any requirement for any *material* additional training, experience, examinations or assessments as part of that certification process.

The Association of Ontario Land Surveyors has determined that land surveyors who are licensed in a Canadian province and licensed Canada Lands Surveyors will only be required to complete one jurisdictional examination.

Making Application

A land surveyor licensed in a Canadian province or a licensed Canada Lands Surveyor (the candidate) who wishes to be licensed as an Ontario Land Surveyor must complete the application form (attached) and arrange to have the home association provide a “good standing letter” directly to the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors. The candidate must hold a license that is not encumbered or restricted in any way within the home association.

The candidate may choose to become an associate member of the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors (see eligibility for associate membership) but this is not a requirement to write the jurisdictional examination. The advantage of becoming an associate member is that it ensures that the candidate receives current information, such as the Ontario Professional Surveyor Magazine, from the AOLS.

Once the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors has received the appropriate fees, the application form and the “good standing” letter from the home association, the candidate is eligible to write the jurisdictional examination. The Association of Ontario Land Surveyors will confirm the date, time and location to write the jurisdictional exam. The jurisdictional examination shall be offered within thirty business days of The Association of Ontario Land Surveyors receiving the application.

Writing the Jurisdictional Examination

Candidates will be examined on their knowledge and comprehension of the Ontario legal systems and statute law as it applies to surveying in Ontario. The jurisdictional examination will include practical questions on survey requirements, legalities, problems, and possibilities likely to be encountered in surveys of land in Ontario including, but not limited to condominium surveys, urban and rural subdivision surveys, pipeline and right-of-way surveys, and real property reports. Particular emphasis will be placed on the evaluation of survey evidence as it relates to the practice of land surveying in Ontario.

The Jurisdictional Examination is a closed-book exam and shall last no longer than half-a-day.

The price to write the Jurisdictional Examination is \$150 plus GST.

Syllabus and Reading List

Candidates will be expected to demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the surveying profession in Ontario which may include:

1. Scope of the surveying profession in Ontario;
2. Professional responsibilities of Ontario Land Surveyors;
3. Ethical basis of professional practice and an understanding of survey systems in Ontario; and
4. Current affairs of the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors.

Candidates will be examined on their knowledge and comprehension of the Canadian and Ontario legal systems and the statute law as it applies to surveying in Ontario. In particular, candidates are expected to have a complete understanding of all of the statutes contained in section E:3:1 and E:3:2 in the current Articling Student Handbook including recent amendments.

Candidates will be questioned on survey requirements, legalities, problems, and possibilities of a practical nature likely to be encountered in surveys of land in Ontario. Emphasis will be placed on situations requiring some degree of discretion and professional judgment.

Partial List of Ontario Statutes

E:3:1 Provincial statutes as published in Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990 (available at www.e-laws.gov.on.ca)

TITLE

Aggregate Resources Act
Beds of Navigable Waters Act
Boundaries Act
Bridges Act
Business Corporations Act
Business Practices Act
Cemeteries Act (Revised)
Certification of Titles Act
Condominium Act
Construction Lien Act
Conveyancing and Law of Property Act
Discriminatory Business Practices Act
Drainage Act
Employment Standards Act
Evidence Act
Expropriations Act
Fraudulent Conveyances Act
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act
Land Registration Reform Act
Land Titles Act
Limitations Act
Line Fences Act
Mining Act
Ministry of Natural Resources Act
Municipal Act
Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act
Occupational Health and Safety Act
Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act (formerly Petroleum Resources Act)
Partnerships Act
Planning Act
Public Inquiries Act
Public Lands Act
Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act

Real Property Limitations Act
Registry Act
Road Access Act
Statutory Powers Procedure Act
Surveyors Act
Surveys Act
Territorial Division Act
Professional Foresters Act
Vendors and Purchasers Act

E:3:2 Federal statutes as published in the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1985 (available at <http://laws.justice.gc.ca/en/index.html>)

TITLE

Access to Information Act
Aeronautics Act
Canada Evidence Act
Canada Lands Surveys Act
Canada Transportation Act
Competition Act
Copyright Act
Criminal Code
Expropriation Act
International Boundary Commission Act
Navigable Waters Protection Act
Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act

Publications of the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors

Additional articles and publications are available in the document library section of the AOLS website at www.aols.org

Jurisdictional Examination Results

Candidates must receive a mark of 65% or higher in order to pass the Jurisdictional Examination.

The Association shall attempt to provide the results of the Jurisdictional Examination within ten business days of the exam being written.

If the candidate passes the Jurisdictional Examination, then the candidate is eligible to be registered as an Ontario Land Surveyor.

If the candidate does not pass the Jurisdictional Examination, the candidate may appeal his mark in writing to the Registrar. An appeal fee will apply. As of January 2009, the appeal fee is \$100 plus GST.

If a candidate does not achieve a pass mark in his or her first attempt at the Jurisdictional Examination, the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors may require the candidate to wait a period of time before attempting the written jurisdictional examination again. The first waiting period shall not exceed 30 calendar days. The waiting period following the second and subsequent attempts shall not exceed 90 calendar days.

If the host association determines that an applicant does not have the required level of jurisdictional knowledge to successfully complete the requirements then experience may be the way to gain that knowledge. The onus is on the applicant to gain the required knowledge by whatever means he or she chooses. The onus is not on the host association to define a period or type of training although the host association may make recommendations.

Registration as an Ontario Land Surveyor

Pursuant to the requirements of the Surveyors Act, Regulations and Bylaws pursuant thereto, an individual applying for registration as an Ontario land surveyor must:

- (a) be at least 18 years of age,
- (b) be of good character,
- (c) pay the prescribed fees.

Eligibility for Associate Membership

O. Reg 1026

20. (1) An associate is a person who applies to be an associate, pays the annual fee prescribed by the by-laws for associates and,

- (a) is enrolled in a post-secondary school course in land surveying;
- (b) is a party to Articles of Agreement with a member of the Association; or
- (c) is employed by a member of the Association engaged in the practice of professional land surveying. O. Reg. 105/98, s. 4.

(2) Associates are entitled to receive general information issued by the Association and to attend meetings of the Association, but are not entitled to vote at meetings. O. Reg. 105/98, s. 4.

Correspondence

All inquiries with respect to the procedures relating to the admission of candidates to articles, examinations, and other information should be made to:

Registrar

The Association of Ontario Land Surveyors

1043 McNicoll Ave

Toronto, ON M1W 3W6

Phone: 416-491-9020 or 1-800-268-0718 Fax: 416-491-2576

E-mail: bill@aols.org Website: www.aols.org



ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

(in accordance with O.Reg. 1026 made under the Surveyors Act)

2010/2011

Membership Features:

- § Reduced costs to attend the AOLS AGM
- § Reduced costs to attend Continuing Education Seminars
- § The AOLS Quarterly magazine and other mailings
- § Access to publications, videos and the AOLS library
- § Information about industry events
- § Access to members' side of the AOLS website (Once your application has been processed, please login to the members' side of the website at www.aols.org and click "Members' Login." Your username & password request will be processed.)

2010/2011 Associate Membership

(July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Pcode: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Employer/*School: _____

**Supervising AOLS Member: _____

I prefer to receive general information by email: Yes No

NOTE: If you checked "yes," you will be notified by E-mail when new mailing information is posted on the AOLS website. For occasions when we must send hard copies, please indicate if you prefer mailings to be delivered to your home or office .

£ MASTERCARD £ VISA £ CHEQUE

CARD #: _____ Expiry: __/____ (MM/YY)

EXACT NAME ON CARD: _____

Send payment of \$56.50 (\$50+ HST) or contact the AOLS for pro-rated fee to:
Association of Ontario Land Surveyors »1043 McNicoll Avenue, Toronto, M1W 3W6

*membership is free to students, if you are a student, what year will you graduate? _____

**not applicable to students



This form is online at www.aols.org

Application for Jurisdictional Examination

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

NOTE: The jurisdictional examination may only be written where there is an approved invigilator available. Please indicate your preferred location and its Association will try and accommodate you.

I hereby apply to attend the Jurisdictional Examination in: _____

Preferred Examination Date: _____

Examination Fee: \$150 plus HST **Please Note: The examination fee is non-refundable.**
Please pay by cheque or credit card.

Cheque enclosed for \$_____ plus HST \$_____ for a total of \$_____ (HST # 10673 3009 RT)

Cardholder Name _____

Card Type and Number _____ Expiry Date _____

Please return this form with the required fee of \$150.00 (plus HST) and a letter of good standing from the appropriate association in which you have current membership to:

Please return to
Association of Ontario Land Surveyors
1043 McNicoll Ave
Toronto, ON
M1W 3W6
Fax: (416) 491-2576 E-mail: bill@aols.org

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Jurisdictional Examination Date _____