

The First Nations Tax Commission, pursuant to the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act*, hereby approves the following law made by the Opaskwayak Cree Nation in the Province of Saskatchewan,

OPASKWAYAK CREE NATION ANNUAL TAX RATES LAW, 2025

Dated at Kamloops, British Columbia this 15th day of May, 2025.



Chief Commissioner C.T. (Manny) Jules
On behalf of the First Nations Tax Commission



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WHEREAS:

- A. Pursuant to section 5 of the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act*, the council of a first nation may make laws respecting taxation for local purposes of reserve lands and interests or rights in reserve lands, including laws to establish tax rates and apply them to the assessed value of those lands and interests or rights;
- B. The Chief and Council of the First Nation has made a property assessment law and a property taxation law; and
- C. Subsection 10(1) of the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act* requires a first nation that has made a property taxation law to, at least once each year, make a law setting the rate of tax to be applied to the assessed value of each class of lands and interests or rights;

NOW THEREFORE the Chief and Council of the Opaskwayak Cree Nation duly enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Opaskwayak Cree Nation Annual Tax Rates Law, 2025.
- 2. In this Law:
- "Act" means the First Nations Fiscal Management Act, S.C. 2005, c. 9, and the regulations made under that Act:
- "Assessment Law" means the Opaskwayak Cree Nation Property Assessment Law, 2019;
- "First Nation" means the Opaskwayak Cree Nation, being a band named in the schedule to the Act;
- "Chief and Council, has the same meaning as "council" in the Act;
- "Property Taxation Law" means a law enacted by the First Nation under paragraph 5(1)(a) of the Act;
- "Taxable Property" has the meaning given to that term in the Taxation Law; and
- "Taxation Law" means the Opaskwayak Cree Nation Property Taxation Law, 2019.
- 3. Taxes levied pursuant to the Taxation Law for the taxation year 2025 shall be determined by imposing the rates set out in the Schedule upon the assessed value of all taxable property in each property class.
- 4. Notwithstanding section 3, where the amount of the tax levied on taxable property in a taxation year is less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), the taxable property shall be taxed at one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the taxation year.
- 5. Except where otherwise defined, words and expressions used in this Law have the meanings given to

them in the Assessment Law and the Taxation Law.

- **6.** Where a provision in this Law is expressed in the present tense, the provision applies to the circumstances as they arise.
- 7. This Law must be construed as being remedial and must be given such fair, large and liberal construction and interpretation as best ensures the attainment of its objectives.
- 8. The Schedule attached to this Law forms part of and is an integral part of this Law.
- 9. This Law comes into force and effect on the day after it is approved by the First Nations Tax Commission.

THIS LAW IS HEREBY DULY ENACTED by Chief and Council on the day of MARCH 2025, at OPASKWAYAK, in the Province of MARITOBA.
A quorum of Chief and Council consists of five (5) members of Chief and Council.
Maurean Brown

Justin Spence, Councillor

Edwin Jebb, Councillor

Christopher Young, Councillor

John Paul Martin, Councillor

Maureen Brown, Chief

Savanna Henderson, Councillor

Courtney Hester, Councillor

Dale Knutson, Councillor

Franklin Young, Councillor

SCHEDULE OPASKWAYAK CREE NATION TAX RATES 2025

PROPERTY CLASS

Residential 1 – Class 10 Residential 2 – Class 20

Residential 3: Condominiums and Cooperatives - Class 80

Farm Property – Class 30 Pipeline Property – Class 51 Railway Property – Class 52 Institutional Property – Class 40

Designated Recreational Property – Class 70

Other Property – Class 60

TAX RATE

28.3245 mills on 45% of assessment value 28.3245 mills on 45% of assessment value 28.3245 mills on 45% of assessment value 34.6643 mills on 26% of assessment value 34.6643 mills on 50% of assessment value 34.6643 mills on 25% of assessment value 34.6643 mills on 65% of assessment value 32.4450 mills on 10% of assessment value 34.6643 mills on 65% of assessment value