

CHAPTER 180

The Forest Tree Pest Control Act

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1. In this Act,

- (a) "control measures" includes measures to prevent, retard, suppress, eradicate or destroy;
- (b) "forest tree pest" means any vertebrate or invertebrate animal or any virus, fungus, or bacterium or other organism that is injurious to trees commonly found growing in a forest or windbreak or the products from such trees and that is designated as a forest tree pest in the regulations;
- (c) "infestation" means an actual or potential infestation or infection by a forest tree pest;
- (d) "Minister" means the Minister of Natural Resources | 1972, c.4 s.12
- (e) "officer" means a person appointed by the Minister for the purposes of this Act;
- (f) "regulations" means the regulations made under this Act. 1968, c. 45, s. 1.

2. The Minister may appoint officers for the purpose of carrying out this Act. 1968, c. 45, s. 2.

3. An officer, with or without the consent of the owner, may enter upon any land between sunrise and sunset and make an inspection of the land and the trees and forest products thereon to detect and appraise an infestation. 1968, c. 45, s. 3.

4. Where in the opinion of the Minister the control of an infestation on any land is in the public interest, the Minister may direct an officer to enter upon the land and, at the expense of the Crown, take such control measures as he considers advisable in the circumstances. 1968, c. 45, s. 4.

5.—(1) No person shall hinder, obstruct or impede an officer in the performance of his duty.

(2) Every person who contravenes subsection 1 is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$1,000. 1968, c. 45, s. 5.

6.—(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations designating forest tree pests for the purposes of this Act.

(2) Any regulation made under subsection 1 may be limited territorially or as to time or otherwise. 1968, c. 45, s. 6.