



Registrar of Titles' Order

Suspension of Specified Services of the Land Registry Due to GIS Modernization

Whereas subsection 15(1) of *The Operation of Public Registry Statutes Act* reads as follows:

15(1) Notwithstanding any other Act or law, if, in the opinion of a registry officer or the minister, the circumstances are such that it is not practical to provide one or more registry services or functions, a registry officer or the minister may, by order, suspend all or any registry services or functions for the period during which, in the opinion of the registry officer or the minister, those circumstances prevail.

And whereas subsection 98(1) of *The Land Titles Act, 2000* reads as follows:

98(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, any regulation made pursuant to this Act or any other Act providing for registration in the land registry, if, in the opinion of the Registrar, it is not practical to provide one or more land registry functions, the Registrar may, by order, suspend all or any land registry functions for the period during which, in the opinion of the Registrar, those circumstances prevail.

And whereas Land Registry services and functions are provided to the public by Information Services Corporation (ISC) through its Customer Services Centres and the ISC website.

And whereas ISC is undertaking modernization of its GIS technology that supports the operation of the Cadastral Parcel Mapping System (CPMS), the Land Surveys Directory, and the Land Registry and whereas the modernization requires suspension of Land Registry services in order to implement the new technology.

And whereas it is possible to minimize the effect on registration activity through limiting the suspension to Registry services that are directly impacted by the GIS technology updating while also protecting priority of submissions in the queue.

Therefore I, Karen Banks, Registrar of Titles, do hereby order that the operation of Land Registry services and functions will be suspended and recommenced as follows:

1) Limited Suspension of Registration Services of Submissions, Recommencement of Services and Protection of Priority in the Queue.

From Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 5 p.m. to no later than Monday, June 16, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. registration of the following submissions to the Land Registry queue is suspended:

- Registration and issuance of title for consolidations and subdivisions of land (transforms);
- Registration and issuance of first title for new condominiums, or for condominium plan amendments or redivisions;
- Registration of changes of ownership with parcel ties that have not been validated;
- Validation of parcel ties.

During the suspension and recommencement of these services, the following process will be applied to ensure that submissions that cannot be registered are not negatively affected by the limited suspension of registration services:

- Affected packets will be suspended and affected titles will be locked to prevent subsequent transactions from registering;
- Any subsequent packets affecting the same titles will also be locked.

On recommencement of these registration services, registration of related suspended packets will conclude in the order in which they were suspended.

For greater clarity, registration activity other than as identified above is not suspended and will proceed in the ordinary course.

2) Extension of time For Suspended Packets to Defend Against a Lapse of Interest.

Where a packet has been suspended due to the issuance of this Order, and where the packet includes an application for discharge to conclude a lapse procedure commenced under section 63 of *The Land Titles Act, 2000*, pursuant to subsection 46(6) of *The Land Titles Regulations, 2001*, the 30-day period for interest holders to take action to protect their interest will be automatically extended by a period of three days to account for the partial suspension of registration services to allow interest holders to obtain and register a court order.

The Registrar may grant additional discretionary time extensions pursuant to subsection 46(6).

An Order in the event of a postal strike with respect to the lapsing of interests will take precedence over this Order.

3) Limited Suspension of Services in Operation and Administration of the Registry.

From Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 5 p.m. to no later than Monday, June 16, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. the following services are suspended:

- Issuance of first title based on Crown grant or at Crown direction;
- Creation of first abstract in the Abstract Directory;
- Creation of first electronic title for a parcel of land;
- Creation or correction of mineral commodities;
- Changes to parcel class codes;
- Creation of new parcels or corrections that reconcile parcel counts to titles.

4) Suspension of Search Services.

From Saturday, June 14, 2025 at 7:00 a.m. to no later than Monday, June 16, 2025, at 8:00 a.m., all searches of the Land Registry are suspended.

All Registry services will first be recommenced and made available to registry personnel for the purposes of readying the system for public access.

Notice of this order shall be published in the Gazette and be posted to www.isc.ca.


Karen Banks
Registrar of Titles



23 May 2025

Date

