

# Fact Sheet

## Fair Registration Practices Act

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### The Goal

The goal of the *Fair Registration Practices Act* is to eliminate the barriers associated with the assessment of qualifications for applicants by ensuring that registration practices in place for regulated professions, designated occupations or trades are transparent, objective, impartial and procedurally fair.

The *Fair Registration Practices Act* enables the government, through the Fairness for Newcomers Office, to work with regulatory bodies.

### The Office

#### The Fairness for Newcomers Office:

- Works collaboratively with regulatory bodies to streamline, simplify, and accelerate the assessment of qualifications by eliminating barriers to registration.
- Provides information and advice to help regulatory bodies understand the *Fair Registration Practices Act*.
- Reviews registration and assessment practices of regulatory bodies.
- Acts as a resource for government departments and other stakeholders with regard to the *Fair Registration Practices Act*.
- Assists regulatory bodies in meeting their obligations under the *Fair Registration Practices Act*.

**The Fairness for Newcomers Office does not review individual cases.**

### Regulatory Bodies

All regulatory bodies have duties under the Fair Registration Practices Code to:

- Provide clear information on the requirements for registration.
- Get back to applicants in a timely manner on application status.
- Direct applicants to internal/external supports to assist them with the licensure/certification process, if available.
- Provide applicants with decisions in writing, including reasons for the decision made.
- Inform applicants of their right to review/appeal the registration decision.

Regulatory bodies are identified under the legislation.

### Additional Information

For more information, visit the [Fairness for Newcomers webpage](#) or contact by email at [LBR.FRPO@gov.ab.ca](mailto:LBR.FRPO@gov.ab.ca) or call 780-422-6777 (toll free in Alberta by dialing 310-0000 first)

**To find out if a profession, occupation or trade is regulated visit:**

<https://alis.alberta.ca/occinfo/certifications-in-alberta/>

or

<https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/>

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