



Innu Income Support Law

Adopted in 2020 by Sheshatshiu Innu First Nation and Mushuau Innu First Nation on the dates indicated in the attached Band Council Resolutions.

Preamble

Whereas Sheshatshiu Innu First Nation and Mushuau Innu First Nation have, since 2016, taken responsibility for the delivery of the Income Support Program through the Innu Round Table Secretariat Inc.;

And whereas the Income Support Program operates further to a funding agreement between the Innu Round Table Secretariat Inc. and the federal government, and is subject to the application of provincial law, being the NL Act, NL Regulation and NL Policies;

And whereas we have been informed by the Province of Newfoundland & Labrador that it intends to amend the NL Regulation such that it will no longer apply to the Income Support Program;

Therefore we have made this Innu Income Support Law to promote certainty in the rules to be applied in the Income Support Program, avoid gaps in rules, and provide direction to the Innu Round Table Secretariat Inc. in its delivery of the Income Support Program.

Definitions

1. The following definitions apply in this law:

- i. "Executive Director" means the Executive Director of the Innu Round Table Secretariat Inc.;
- ii. "Income Support Program" means the federally-funded income support services provided by the Innu Round Table Secretariat Inc. within the communities of Sheshatshiu and Natuashish;
- iii. "NL Act" means the *Income and Employment Support Act*, SNL 2002, c I-0.1 as amended from time to time;
- iv. "NL Policies" means policies published by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador further to the NL Act or NL Regulation, as amended from time to time; and

- v. "NL Regulation" means the *Income and Employment Support Regulations*, NLR 144/04 as amended from time to time.
2. All terms in this law not otherwise defined shall be interpreted consistently with the NL Act, NL Regulation and NL Policies.

Income Support Rules

3. Sheshatshiu Innu First Nation and Mushuau Innu First Nation adopt the NL Regulation subject to the following differences:
 - a. A payment that an individual receives as a beneficiary of the Sheshatshiu and Mushuau Innu First Nations Trust, being the trust established on May 27, 2007 and as amended from time to time, shall be treated as exempt income within the meaning of "exempt income" in s. 8(a) of the NL Regulation; and
 - b. Residents of Sheshatshiu shall be treated as eligible for the additional monthly income support amount described in s. 19(1)(a) of the NL Regulation, known as the Cost of Living Allowance, and for greater certainty residents of Natuashish remain eligible.

General

4. This law shall be applied by the Innu Round Table Secretariat Inc. in its delivery of the Income Support Program.
 5. This law comes into force on a day or days to be determined by the Executive Director.
 6. The Executive Director may choose to bring portions of this law into force on different days.
 7. The Executive Director shall publish this law on the website of the Innu Round Table Secretariat Inc., but any period in which such publication is not published on the website does not invalidate or suspend the application of this law.
 8. The Executive Director shall provide a copy of this law to the Government of Canada and to the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador.
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Sheshatshiu Innu First Nation

Band Council Resolution BCR 2020-012

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WHEREAS we have been informed that the Cabinet of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador has approved an amendment to the Income and Employment Support Regulations, NLR 144/04 providing that those regulations will no longer apply to Sheshatshiu Innu First Nation and Mushuau Innu First Nation, or having a similar effect;

AND WHEREAS we have been informed that this regulation amendment will be published by the Province and come into effect soon;

AND WHEREAS we wish to create certainty for the Income Support Program which is being delivered by the Innu Round Table Secretariat for the benefit of our members, and avoid the potential for any void or gap in the rules;

WE IT HEREBY RESOLVED,

1. Sheshatshiu Innu First Nation approves and adopts the attached Innu Income Support Law.

Adopted on April 19th, 2020 by a quorum of Council duly convened.

Those in favour of the resolution:

A quorum of the Band Council is 4 members.

Chief Eugene Hart

Councillor Penute Andrew

Councillor Laureen Ashini

Councillor Daniel Pone-Pinette

Councillor Terry Andrew

Councillor Karen Penunsi

Mushuau Innu First Nation – Band Council Resolution

Whereas we have been informed that the Cabinet of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador has approved an amendment to the *Income and Employment Support Regulations*, NLR 144/04 providing that those regulations will no longer apply to Sheshatshiu Innu First Nation and Mushuau Innu First Nation, or having a similar effect;


And whereas we have been informed that this regulation amendment will be published by the Province and come into effect soon;


And whereas we wish to create certainty for the Income Support Program which is being delivered by the Innu Round Table Secretariat for the benefit of our members, and avoid the potential for any void or gap in the rules;

We therefore resolve as follows:

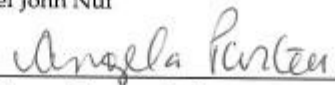
1. Mushuau Innu First Nation approves and adopts the attached Innu Income Support Law.

Adopted on March 23rd, 2020 by a quorum of Council duly convened.


Councillor Mary Lucy Dicker


Councillor Simon Pokue


Chief John Nui


Councillor Angela Pasten


Councillor Mathias Rich