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Accountability and Code of Conduct of Elected Officials	No current regulation.
Aeronautics Act Agreements Regulation	Aeronautics Act Agreements (City of Medicine Hat and Cypress County) Regulation This regulation allows defined municipalities (the City of Medicine Hat and Cypress County) to enter into agreements under section 5.81 of the federal <i>Aeronautics Act</i> , and make bylaws regulating and controlling land use/development on lands that exist within municipal boundaries, and adjacent/in the vicinity of the airport to ensure compatibility with the safe operation of the airport. Section 5.81 of the <i>Aeronautics Act</i> allows for agreements to be made for provincial authorities to regulate land around airports. The provincial agreement grants this power to the defined municipalities.
Amalgamations	No current regulation. (Legislated in MGA).
Annexation Principles	No current regulation. (Legislated in MGA). The Municipal Government Board (MGB) uses principles as outlined in the MGB Annexation Procedure Rules .
Business Revitalization Zone Regulation	Business Revitalization Zone (BRZ) Regulation This regulation sets out: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The process of establishing a BRZ, including the creation of a board to govern the BRZ. • Allowances for municipal construction of capital properties within a BRZ. • Financial requirements including budgeting, transferring funds, and reporting. • BRZ tax bylaw requirements. • The process of disestablishing a BRZ.
Calgary International AVPA Regulation	Calgary International Airport Vicinity Protection Area Regulation This regulation sets out a protection area around the Calgary International Airport. It prohibits subdivision or development on this land unless approval is given or a development permit is granted by the municipality in which the land is located. It also sets out requirements for all buildings constructed in the protection area, and sets out the duties of municipalities with regard to development and subdivision in the area, which include referring to the airport operator prior to passing a plan or bylaw in the area.
Canmore Undermining Exemption from Liability Regulation	Canmore Undermining Exemption from Liability Regulation This regulation exempts Canmore and its agents from liability for loss or damage caused by undermining that arises from development on land designated in the <i>Canmore Undermining Review Regulation</i> . Damage caused by undermining may arise from coal or methane gas or excavations due to mining operations under the surface of the ground.



Canmore Undermining Review Regulation	Canmore Undermining Review Regulation This regulation covers development on designated lands in Canmore that may have been subject to undermining. It exempts Canmore and its agents from any duty to maintain or inspect undermining related conditions in the land, and requires developers to obtain a report and compliance certificate from an engineer which they must act on prior to development. The regulation also required developers to hold insurance against claims for damages arising from undermining, and requires the developer to file a caveat against the title of land for which a report is prepared and compliance certificate is completed for, describing the conditions caused by undermining to the land.
City of Calgary Rivers District CRL Regulation	City of Calgary Rivers District Community Revitalization Levy Regulation This regulation allows establishes a community revitalization levy (CRL) in the City of Calgary. It defines the lands this levy applies to, the requirements the council must adhere to in order to pass the CRL bylaw, the information the CRL bylaw must include, and requirements for borrowing, assessment, and levy rates under the CRL. It also sets out requirements should the Town pass a bylaw in respect of the CRL.
City of Edmonton Belvedere CRL Regulation	City of Edmonton Belvedere Community Revitalization Levy This regulation allows establishes a community revitalization levy (CRL) in the City of Edmonton. It defines the lands this levy applies to, the requirements the council must adhere to in order to pass the CRL bylaw, the information the CRL bylaw must include, and requirements for borrowing, assessment, and levy rates under the CRL. It also sets out requirements should the Town pass a bylaw in respect of the CRL.
City of Edmonton Capital City Downtown CRL Regulation	City of Edmonton Capital City Downtown Community Revitalization Levy Regulation This regulation allows establishes a community revitalization levy (CRL) in the City of Edmonton. It defines the lands this levy applies to, the requirements the council must adhere to in order to pass the CRL bylaw, the information the CRL bylaw must include, and requirements for borrowing, assessment, and levy rates under the CRL. It also sets out requirements should the Town pass a bylaw in respect of the CRL.
City of Edmonton the Quarters Downtown CRL Regulation	City of Edmonton the Quarters Downtown Community Revitalization Levy Regulation This regulation allows establishes a community revitalization levy (CRL) in the City of Edmonton. It defines the lands this levy applies to, the requirements the council must adhere to in order to pass the CRL bylaw, the information the CRL bylaw must include, and requirements for borrowing, assessment, and levy rates under the CRL. It also sets out requirements should the Town pass a bylaw in respect of the CRL.



Cochrane CRL Regulation	Cochrane Community Revitalization Levy Regulation This regulation allows establishes a community revitalization levy (CRL) in the Town of Cochrane. It defines the lands this levy applies to, the requirements the council must adhere to in order to pass the CRL bylaw, the information the CRL bylaw must include, and requirements for borrowing, assessment, and levy rates under the CRL. It also sets out requirements should the Town pass a bylaw in respect of the CRL.
Council Meeting Regulation	No current regulation.
Edmonton International AVPA Regulation	Edmonton International Airport Vicinity Protection Area Regulation This regulation sets out a protection area around the Edmonton International Airport. It prohibits subdivision or development on this land unless approval is given or a development permit is granted by the municipality in which the land is located. It also sets out requirements for all buildings constructed in the protection area, and sets out the duties of municipalities with regard to development and subdivision in the area, which include referring to the airport operator prior to passing a plan or bylaw in the area.
Electric Energy Generation Exemption Regulation	Electric Energy Generation Exemption Regulation This regulation establishes that the Minister may exempt electric power systems from taxation for the purpose of raising revenue needed to pay requisitions into the Alberta School Foundation Fund or to School Boards, as referred to in section 326 (a) (ii) and (iii) of the MGA.
Municipal Corporate Planning	No current regulation.
Municipal Finance Clarification Regulation	Municipal Finance Clarification Regulation This regulation expands on municipal financial responsibilities included in the MGA. It includes information on annual budgets, expenditure allowances, and accumulated surpluses. This regulation explicitly allows the Minister to set a municipality's budget if the municipality has an accumulated surplus net of equity in tangible capital assets that is less than zero.
Public Participation Policy	No current regulation. (Legislated in MGA)
SDAB Regulations for Training	No current regulation.
SuperNet Assessment Regulation	SuperNet Assessment Regulation This regulation sets out assessment for linear property that is used for SuperNet purposes. It includes exemptions, standards, and requirements for reporting of information regarding the SuperNet linear property by the Minister to the assessor.
Regional Services Commission Debt Limit Regulation	Regional Services Commission Debt Limit Regulation This regulation sets a debt limit for regional service commissions authorized to provide public utility services or services other than public utility services. Debt limits are set as a function of the revenue of the regional services commission. This regulation also sets out reporting requirements for regional service commissions.



Well Drilling Equipment Tax Rate Regulation	<p>Well Drilling Tax Rate Regulation</p> <p>This regulation sets the well drilling equipment tax rate for years 2015-2019. The well drilling equipment tax is designed to compensate municipalities for the costs associated with drilling on their infrastructure. Tax rates differ depending on the depth of the well. Introduced in January 2015, this regulation sets out changes to the current formula beginning in 2016. Under the new formula:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the depth of the well is less than or equal to 500 metres, the minimum tax is \$780. • If the depth of the well is between 500 and 1000 metres, the tax is \$780 plus \$2.00 for each metre of depth greater than 500 metres. • If the depth of the well is more than 1000 metres, the tax is \$1780 plus \$4.00 for each metre of depth exceeding 1000 metres. <p>Changes to the formula subsequent to 2016 entail minor increases to the above fees under the same formula.</p>
Bundle Two—Remaining Non-MGA Review Regulations	Existing MGA Regulations
City of Calgary Debt Service Limit Exception Regulation	<p>City of Calgary Debt Service Limit Exception Regulation</p> <p>This regulation makes an exception to section 5 of the <i>Debt Limit Regulation</i> for borrowing that is related to a project approved under schedule 7 of the <i>Municipal Affairs Grants Regulation</i> (MSI funding). Normally, municipalities have to prorate payments they will have to make 12 months after the calculation period and include them in the debt limit. This regulation makes an exception for the City of Calgary with regard to a project approved under MSI, which will not require any principal payments until after 2016.</p>
Crown Land Area Designation Regulation	<p>Crown Land Area Designation Regulation</p> <p>This regulation defines areas which are to be considered Crown Lands for the purposes of section 618(2) of the MGA. Section 618(2) excludes Part 17 (planning and development) of the MGA for designated Crown Lands.</p>
Crowsnest Pass regulation	<p>Crowsnest Pass Regulation</p> <p>This regulation defines how grants are to be calculated, fire bylaws can be set, and land boundary adjustment schemes are to be made in the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass.</p>
Debt Limit Regulation	<p>Debt Limit Regulation</p> <p>This regulation sets the debt limit of municipalities. Currently, municipalities have a total debt limit of 1.5 times the revenue of the municipality, and a debt service limit of 0.25 times the revenue of the municipality. Calgary, Edmonton, Medicine Hat, and Wood Buffalo have a total debt limit of 2 times the revenue of the municipality, and a debt service limit of 0.35 times the revenue of the municipality. This regulation also sets out how revenue, debt, and debt service are to be calculated.</p>



Determination of Population Regulation	Determination of Population Regulation This regulation sets out how a municipal census must be conducted. It defines how populations are to be counted in a census, when they must be conducted, and how they must be reported. The regulation also states that the Municipality of Crowsnest pass has separate rules in that each community that existed prior to amalgamation shall be treated as separate areas.
Financial information Return Regulation	Financial Information Return Regulation This regulation defines the financial information referred to in section 277 of the MGA that municipalities must include in financial returns as the information defined in the Financial Information Return Manual prepared by Municipal Affairs. It also states that financial returns must be prepared in accordance with principles recommended by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants.
Improvement District No. 349 Revenue Sharing Regulation	Improvement District No. 349 Revenue Sharing Regulation This regulation allows the Minister to pay to one or more municipalities all of the taxes and revenues collected on behalf of Improvement District no. 349.
Investment Regulation	Investment Regulation This regulation defines how a municipality may invest its money, including what money may be invested in and the minimum ratings for securities required for investment.
Lac La Biche County Property Tax Bylaw Regulation	Lac La Biche County Property Tax Bylaw Regulation This regulation allows Lac La Biche County to pass separate property tax bylaws for the rural service area and urban service areas in the municipality, as defined in the regulation.
Major Cities Investment Regulation	Major Cities Investment Regulation This regulation allows the Cities of Edmonton and Calgary additional investment options than are included in the Investment Regulation. It allows these municipalities to invest in additional entities such as derivatives, hedge funds, and more investment options. The regulation also requires municipal investments to be prudent, and for investment policies to be approved by council.
Muni Funds Investment Regulation	Muni Funds Investment Regulation This regulation sets out how a municipality may invest its money in AMSC MUNI Funds. It includes what may be invested in, and the minimum ratings of allowable investments.
Muniserp Investment Regulation	Muniserp Investment Regulation This regulation sets out how a municipality may invest its money designated to fund AMSC MuniSERP (supplemental employee retirement plan). It includes what may be invested in, and the minimum ratings of allowable investments.
Planning Exemption Regulation	Planning Exemption Regulation This regulation sets out lands and types of development which are exempt from various parts of Part 17 (planning and development) of the MGA.
Qualifications of Assessor Regulation	Qualifications of Assessor Regulation This regulation sets the required qualifications that must be adhered to in order to act as a property assessor.



Sup. Accounting Principles and Standards Regulation	Supplementary Accounting Principles and Standards Regulation This regulation contains additional accounting regulations not included directly in the MGA on salaries and benefits of councillors, the chief administrative officer, and designated officers, additional details that must be reported regarding salaries and benefits, and additional requirements regarding utility franchise agreement fees.
Bundle Three— Fall Bill Regulations	Existing MGA Regulations
Alberta Central East Water Corporation Regulation	Alberta Central East Water Corporation Regulation This regulation exempts the Alberta Central East Water Corporation from Part 2 of the <i>Public Utilities Act</i> , sets dispute resolution rules for the corporation, and prohibits the corporation from provision of extra-provincial services without prior written approval from the Minister.
Annexation Principles and Procedures	No current regulation.
Aquatera Utilities Inc. Regulation	Aquatera Utilities Inc. Regulation This regulation exempts Aquatera Utilities Inc. from Part 2 of the <i>Public Utilities Act</i> , sets dispute resolution rules for the corporation, and prohibits the corporation from provision of extra-provincial services without prior written approval from the Minister.
Aqueduct Utilities Corporation Regulation	Aqueduct Utilities Corporation Regulation This regulation exempts the Aqueduct Utilities Corporation from Part 2 of the <i>Public Utilities Act</i> , sets dispute resolution rules for the corporation, and prohibits the corporation from provision of extra-provincial services without prior written approval from the Minister.
Capital Region Board Regulation	Capital Region Board Regulation This regulation governs the Capital Region Board with legislation regarding its establishment and board structure, growth plan, statutory plans, and other general matters such as dispute resolution and matters before the Municipal Government Board.
Chestermere Utilities Incorporated Regulation	Chestermere Utilities Incorporated Regulation This regulation exempts Chestermere Utilities Incorporated from Part 2 of the <i>Public Utilities Act</i> , sets dispute resolution rules for the corporation, and prohibits the corporation from provision of extra-provincial services without prior written approval from the Minister.
Community Aggregate Payment Levy Regulation	Community Aggregate Payment Levy Regulation This regulation sets out rules regarding the community aggregate payment levy, which is a levy in respect of sand and gravel businesses operating in municipalities to raise revenue to be used toward the payment of infrastructure and other costs in the municipality. The current levy rate is capped at \$0.25 per tonne of sand and gravel, and the levy is restricted to specific sources of sand and gravel.
Community Org. Property Tax Exemption Regulation	Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation This regulation exempts some lands held by community organizations from taxation. It includes qualifications for exemptions, which organizations are included in the exemption, and allowable uses for lands that may be exempt.



Control of Corporations Regulation	Control of Corporations Regulation This regulation sets out how municipalities may establish and control or obtain control of a corporation. Currently, municipalities must receive prior written approval from the Minister in order to take either of these actions. The regulation sets out the application procedure for approval, limits on borrowing, regulations for winding up, amalgamating, or divesting the corporation, and conditions for disposition of corporations. The regulation also exempts the Crown for any loss and damage resulting from approving an application to establish and control or obtain control of a corporation.
Inclusionary Zoning	No current regulation.
Matters Relating to Assessment and Taxation	Matters Relating to Assessment and Taxation Regulation This regulation sets out standards for assessment, recording and reporting requirements for property information, rules regarding equalized assessment, requirements for assessment audits, and information regarding property tax exemptions for residences and farm buildings as well as required assessment information.
Matters Relating to Assessment Complaints Regulation	Matters Relating to Assessment Complaints Regulation This regulation sets out how complaints relating to assessment are to be handled. This includes what complainants are required to submit in terms of documentation, how hearings before local and composite assessment review boards are to be handled, and general procedural matters such as fees, jurisdiction, and board proceedings. The regulation also sets out the same information with regard to hearings before the Municipal Government Board, a One-member Assessment Review Board and Municipal Government Board Panel.
Municipal Gas Systems Core Market Regulation	Municipal Gas Systems Core Market Regulation This regulation sets out legislation regarding gas systems including classes of consumers, rights to obtain gas supplies, corporate warranty requirements, rights and obligations of distributors, and dispute settlement. Urban municipalities that operate an urban gas system and have operated it continuously since on or before December 31, 1994 may by bylaw provide that this regulation does not apply to its system in relation to core consumers, or classes of core consumer.
NEW water Ltd. Regulation	NEW water Ltd. Regulation This regulation exempts NEW water Ltd. from Part 2 of the <i>Public Utilities Act</i> , sets dispute resolution rules for the corporation, and prohibits the corporation from provision of extra-provincial services without prior written approval from the Minister.
Newell Regional Services Corporation Regulation	Newell Regional Services Corporation Regulation This regulation exempts NEW water Ltd. from Part 2 of the <i>Public Utilities Act</i> , sets dispute resolution rules for the corporation, and prohibits the corporation from provision of extra-provincial services without prior written approval from the Minister.



Principles and Criteria for Off-site Levies Regulation	Principles and Criteria for Off-site Levies Regulation This regulation sets out legislation regarding off-site levies. Current principles and criteria include the requirement to negotiate in good faith, full and open disclosure of costs and payments, shared responsibility between municipalities and developers to define infrastructure requirements and participate in costs associated, coordination when possible with neighbouring municipalities, correlation between levies and the impacts of developments, consistent methodologies and clear calculation methods for levies, calculation requirements, and reporting requirements.
Sheep Creek Regional Utility Corporation Regulation	Sheep Creek Regional Utility Corporation Regulation This regulation exempts the Sheep Creek Regional Utility Corporation from Part 2 of the <i>Public Utilities Act</i> , sets dispute resolution rules for the corporation, and prohibits the corporation from provision of extra-provincial services without prior written approval from the Minister.
Subdivision and Development Forms Regulation	Subdivision and Development Forms Regulation This regulation sets out the forms which are to be used for the purposes of subdivision and development regulation (for instance, an “application for subdivision” form).
Subdivision and Development Regulation	Subdivision and Development Regulation This regulation sets out legislation pertaining to subdivision and development. Included topics include subdivision applications, subdivision and development conditions, provincial appeals, and regulations regarding registration and endorsement.