

**ASSOCIATION OF CANADA LANDS SURVEYORS
BOARD OF EXAMINERS**

SCHEDULE III / ITEM 3

GOVERNMENT STRUCTURES AND ABORIGINAL GOVERNMENT ISSUES

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(Closed Book)

This examination consists of **6** sections on **2** pages

Time: 3 hours

Marks

Section I: Provide one paragraph answers for SIX of the following questions:

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1. Canada has both a representative and responsible government. Explain these two principle concepts of Canadian democracy.
2. Explain the difference between cadre parties and third parties.
3. Describe the relationship between a "policy mandarin" and a Minister of a government department.
4. Explain two governmental structures which limit the supremacy of the Canadian parliament.
5. Describe two original functions of the Canadian Senate.
6. Describe the role of the official opposition in the Canadian Parliament.
7. Discuss two effective ways interest groups or non-governmental organizations can access government.
8. Describe who typically sits on the Treasury Board and explain the Treasury Board's role in the Canadian Government.

Section II: Provide 3-4 paragraph answers for THREE of the following questions.

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1. Briefly explain the various ways in which the Canadian Constitution can be amended.
2. Describe the concept of federalism and how it is reflected in the Constitution Act, 1867 of Canada.
3. Describe the essential stages of the "policy process" in the Canadian Political System.
4. Discuss the essential elements the Prime Minister must consider when he/she is choosing a cabinet.

Section III: Provide a 1-2 sentence answer on the following current issue.

1. What is the significance of the "Clarity Bill" which is currently before Parliament? 2

Section IV: Provide a 1-2 paragraph answer for each of the following questions.

1. Explain the difference between comprehensive, specific, and TLE claims. 4
2. Describe the stages prescribed by the British Columbia Treaty Commission for treaty negotiations in B.C. under its jurisdiction. 4
3. Describe the principal attributes of Category A Settlement Land provided in a Yukon First Nation Final Agreement. 4
4. Identify and explain the relevance of two often quoted documents which set out the Crown's obligations for treaty making in Canada. 4
5. What have the courts consistently said about litigation and negotiation of outstanding land claims? 4

Section V: Provide a 3-4 paragraph answer for each of the following questions.

1. Explain what the Supreme Court of Canada said about infringement of aboriginal title in a case involving aboriginal fishing rights in the Fraser River in British Columbia and cite the case. 9
2. Explain the concept of aboriginal title as it relates to Crown title. 9
3. Explain how the role of a territorial government differs from that of a provincial government in land claim negotiations. 6

Section VI: Provide concise point form answers to each of the following questions.

1. Name two pre-Confederation treaties, two treaties concluded between Confederation and 1976 and three treaties concluded since 1976. 3
2. Identify three of the six criteria which an aboriginal claimant group must demonstrate compliance with for acceptance of a comprehensive claim for negotiation. 3

Total Marks: 100