

Ag Crown Lands – Nomination Process – FAQs

Can I get paid for my Nomination?

Any transactions between outgoing and incoming leaseholders are not the concern of Manitoba. Also, any compensation for improvements, such as fences, watering systems and other items that may transfer with the lease must be arranged and agreed upon by the outgoing and incoming lease holders.

Is this the same as a Unit Transfer?

No. The incoming lease holder will be issued a 15-year modern lease. This lease is not renewable.

What happens if some the parcels are selected under Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE)?

Parcels selected under TLE will be removed from the lease. Remaining parcels will be available for Nomination to an eligible lease holder. If the outgoing lease holder chooses not to activate the nomination (name a new lease holder for a new lease) the TLE parcels will no longer be part of the lease.

Can I withdraw my application if some or all parcels are selected under TLE?

No. Once a completed application is accepted it cannot be withdrawn and the TLE selection process will be completed.

How do I know if my lease will be selected for TLE?

This cannot be known with certainty. TLE selections are made by First Nations. The Manitoba government, including ACL staff, cannot predict or influence TLE selections. During the period of selection, Manitoba will notify a First Nation of a proposed disposition within its Community Interest Zone, providing the First Nation with the opportunity to select the land. First Nation Community Interest Zones can be reviewed at [Community Interest Zones for Manitoba](#).

Are there other reasons for parcels to be removed from the lease?

Yes. For each application ACL will consult with First Nations, Métis and other Indigenous communities where it appears, or where the government is uncertain as to whether the nomination might infringe upon or adversely affect the exercising of a treaty right. Depending on the result, some parcels may be restricted in the transfer.

If a parcel is selected under TLE, can I remove my fences and other improvements.

Yes. You will have 30 days from the date of selection to remove improvements. An extension may be granted if necessary for seasonal considerations.

Some parcels in my lease are owned by a rural municipality. Will those be transferred through nomination?

Some parcels are owned by municipalities but managed by Manitoba under the ACL program. Municipalities can choose to remove parcels they own from ACL administration. An application to

nominate these types of parcels will be shared with municipalities for approval. Where a municipality wishes to take back the administration of these parcels, the parcels will not be included on the nomination certificate. Outgoing leaseholders will have 30 days to remove improvements.

Will all lease holders be approved for a nomination certificate?

No. Nomination applicants must meet all eligibility requirements included in the Agricultural Crown Lands Leases and Permits Regulation. Eligible lease holders must be in good standing, actively involved in farming, and have been sustainably farming the land.

Is there a fee for transferring a lease via nomination?

Yes, a \$1,200 transfer fee must be paid to ACL in order to issue a new lease.

How long does the nomination process take?

Please be patient. TLE processes can take up to 12 months to complete. Other ACL administrative processes may require additional time.