

**APGNS Policy Regarding the Surrender of Seals, Stamps and Certificates
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INTRODUCTION

This policy and procedure document is intended as an addendum to the current by-laws of the Association and reflects the currently accepted procedures as well as the by-laws under development for the revised *Geoscience Profession Act* and *Geoscience Practice Regulations*. Where accuracy is critical, please consult the current *Geoscience Profession Act* and the by-laws of the Association.

Definitions

Act – means the *Geoscience Profession Act*.

By-laws – means the by-laws of the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Nova Scotia (Geoscientists Nova Scotia, APGNS or the Association) currently in force under the Act.

Council – means the Council of the Association.

Registrar – means the Registrar of the Association as appointed by the Council of the Association.

Registrant – means a registered member, licensee, member-in-training (MIT), or authorized holder of a corporate Certificate of Authorization.

Secretary – means the Secretary of the Association as appointed by the Council of the Association.

SURRENDER OF SEALS, STAMPS AND CERTIFICATES

The seals, stamps and certificates of registration, issued to a registrant (member, licensee, MIT, certificate holder) of the Association are the property of the Association and must be returned on request of the Association.

Registrants shall surrender to the Registrar, forthwith upon development of any of the following eventualities, any seals, stamps and certificates that have been issued to them:

- a. temporary withdrawal of the registrant from the practice of the profession for a period estimated to exceed 1 year; or
- b. resignation in good standing of the registrant from the Association; or
- c. the termination, suspension or cancellation of professional membership under sanction by the Association of the registration, license, permit or certificate.