
Baden

Community Status

Baden is located on PTH #77 on the northern edge of the Porcupine Forest, west of Mafeking and east of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan border. It is one of a group of five communities, with Barrows as the approximate centre of the group. Baden lies about 20 kilometers east of Barrows. Other communities in the group are Powell, Red Deer Lake and National Mills. A cottage area, formerly the community of Westgate, is part of the area.

Baden was recognized as a community in 1986. It is represented by a contact person and is administered under *The Northern Affairs Act*.

Community Contacts

By mail

Contact Person
Baden Community
Box 48 , Mafeking Post Office
Mafeking, MB, R0C 1B0

By phone

Call (204) 622-2151, North Central Regional Office, located in Dauphin.

Office hours and staff

The community does have a part-time public works employee, a volunteer fire chief and shares the services of a recreation director for the area.

Community Statistics

Population

1985	41
1991	55
1996	37
2001	38
2006	29

Information is from Statistics Canada after 1985.

Households

There are 15 housing units in the community.

By-laws

- Employee Benefits (by minister's regulation)

Boundary

Regulation 161/95, as amended, refers to Director of Surveys Plan 19339. See map.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Value of assessments	
Business	nil
Real Property	\$63,380
Grant-in-lieu	11,260
Exempt	14,370
Total	89,010

Rate of taxation (mills)	
General Municipal	5.20
School levies	
Foundation	12.33
Frontier School Division (#48)	17.60
Business Tax (%)	3.75%

Information from 2010 assessment roll and tax bylaw of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs.

Emergency Services

Fire

Fire fighting capability is limited to forestry-style portable equipment and personnel protective clothing. Additional support comes from the Barrows Fire Department at (204) 545-6271.

Police

Police response is from the Swan River detachment, RCMP, phone (204) 734-3454. A Community Constable is available at (204) 545-2350.

Medical

Medical services and ambulance services are provided by the Parkland Regional Health Authority at (204) 734-2215. An ambulance is stationed at Mafeking.

Community-based Services

Hydro

Manitoba hydro provides land line electric power.

Residential rates are:

Basic charge	\$ 6.85 /month
First 900 kWh	6.25 cents/KWH
Balance	6.30 cents/KWH

Hydro phone 1-888-MBHYDRO (1-888-624-9376).

Telephone

MTS Allstream Inc. provides individual line service and digital switching with toll-free calling to Barrows, Benito, Birch River, Bowsman, Cowan, Minitonas, Pelican Rapids and Swan River. Call MTS toll-free at (204) 225-5687.

Water

Water is provided by individual wells, however the community has a local well and standpipe system for public drinking water.

Waste Disposal

A waste disposal site is located 2 kilometers west of Barrows on PTH #77. Waste is picked up weekly by the community public works employee.

Schools

Children attend the Mountain View School in Barrows, operated by Frontier School Division. Children from Barrows, Powell, Red Deer Lake and National Mills also attend this school, phone (204) 545-6246.

Recreation Facilities

- Community hall, 864 sq. ft.
- Community park
- Recreation building, 1000 sq. ft.
- Outdoor rink

Government Services

Communities Economic Development Fund, Head Office located at Thompson, phone (204) 778-4138.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, District Office located at Swan River, phone (204) 734-3429.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, Natural Resources Officer is located at Mafeking, phone (204) 545-2263.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, Public Health Officer located at Swan River, phone (204) 734-6774.

Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Tourism, Regional Services Branch, Parkland Regional Office located at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2022.

Manitoba Agriculture Food & Rural Initiatives; Valley North Go Team – Swan River Go Centre, business and community development support (204) 734-3417.

Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs, Community Planning Services, Regional Office located at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2115.

Manitoba Justice Circuit Court sits at Swan River, coordinated by the Swan River Regional Court Office, phone (204) 734-2252.

Manitoba Labour, Employment Standards Branch, Employment Standards Officer is located in Brandon, phone (204) 726-6926.

Manitoba Labour, Office of the Fire Commissioner, Assistant Fire Commissioner is located at Dauphin, phone 1-888-253-1488.

Commercial Services

Accommodation

Nearest accommodation is available through motels at Mafeking.

Transportation

Gardewine North Transportation Co. provides freight transportation from its terminal at Swan River.

Economic Overview

The area is heavily forested, and forest harvesting continues to provide some employment for the residents. Some private sawmills operate on a permit basis and some pulp logs are provided to Tolko Manitoba Inc, in The Pas.

Trapping is a primary source of income, and the community shares the registered trapline licenses of the Porcupine and Shoal River Registered Trapline Zones with other communities.

Baden is a member of the Highway 77 Regional Round Table that strives to address the social and economic needs of the region. Contact (204) 545-6275 Barrows Council Office

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