
Iford

Community Overview

History

The community originated as a construction and service centre during the building of the Hudson Bay Railway. It later served as a marshalling point for prospectors during the Island Lake gold rush and then as a similar marshalling point for the network of winter freight roads going east from Iford. War Lake First Nation is the adjacent reserve. The majority of the community boundary was transferred to reserve status in November 2017.

Access

Iford is located along the bayline, 144 air kilometres (km) northeast of Thompson, 416 km northeast by rail from The Pas and 688 air km north of Winnipeg.

Governance

Iford is recognized under The Northern Affairs Act.

Economic Overview

The local economy is based on trapping and the service sector. Trapping is conducted in the Split Lake Registered Trapline Zone. Forest resources in the area are largely immature. Some small winter freight operations are conducted in season.

Contacts

General Delivery
Iford, MB R0B 0S0

Phone: 204-288-4394

Phone: 204-288-4387 Wastewater Treatment Plant

Email: ifordcommunitycouncil@gmail.com

Staff

The community employs a public works employee/wastewater operator.

Statistics

Census Year	Population
1985	178
1991	133
1996	155
2001	143
2006	116
2011	43
2016	36

**information is from Statistics Canada*

Households

There is one housing unit.

Boundary

Manitoba Regulation 67/2009 refers to Director of Surveys at Winnipeg as No. 18967A. See map.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Information is from the 2020 assessment roll and Tax Rates and Levy Regulation (2020) of Manitoba Indigenous and Northern Relations.

Value of Assessment	
Business	\$2,300
Real Property	\$191,940
Grants-in-lieu	\$154,250
Exempt	\$216,220
Total	\$564,710
Rate of Taxation	
General Municipal	5.7 mills
Business Tax	3.75%
School Levies	
Education Support	8.828 mills
Frontier School Division #48	13.202 mills

Emergency Services

Fire

Firefighting capability is based on a pumper truck and equipment from the fire hall. Portable forestry equipment is also available for grass and brush fires.

Police

Police response is from the Gillam RCMP detachment. Phone: 204-652-2200.

Medical

Medical response is from the community health worker. The nearest hospital is located in Thompson. The community qualifies for the Northern Patient Transportation Program. Phone: 204-288-4348.

Communication Services

Phone

BellMTS provides individual line service and digital switching with toll free calling to: Gillam, Split Lake. Office toll free: 204-225-5687.

Cellular Service/High-Speed Internet/Wi-Fi
Unavailable.

Community-Based Services

Airstrip

Manitoba Infrastructure, Northern Airports, operate a 3,000' x 75' gravel-on-sand strip with terminal and remote-controlled lighting about three km from the community. Office: 204-945-3421 in Winnipeg.

Hydro

Manitoba Hydro provides power through its landline electric power system. Office: 204-652-2144 in Gillam.

Water

Water treatment is provided under agreement with the adjacent reserve and is distributed by waterlines throughout the community.

Wastewater

Wastewater is treated at a wastewater treatment plant.

Waste Disposal

A solid waste site is located near the community.

Schools

The Julie Lindal School, operated by Frontier School Division, serves 36 students from Nursery to Grade 8. Phone: 204-288-4355.

Recreation Facilities

- community hall
- baseball diamond
- learning centre

Recreation Activities

- Moose Nose Lake: swimming, boating

Commercial Services

Accommodation

- Northern Lights Place of Learning Phone: 204-288-4315.

Transportation

- Gardewine North provides freight service by road, depending on road conditions. Office toll free: 1-800-665-7340.
- The Hudson Bay Railway, owned and operated by the Arctic Gateway Group, provides passenger and parcel services three times per week between Churchill and Thompson or Winnipeg. Carload freight shipments is provided out of The Pas.

Business Directory

Business	Phone
Moosecoot Gas Bar and Convenience Store	204-288-4370 Fax: 204-288-4379

Government Services

Provincial Government Departments

Manitoba Conservation and Climate

Drinking water officer Phone: 204-677-6704 and environment officer Phone: 204-677-6703 in Thompson. The 24 hour emergency response line toll free: 1-855-944-4888.

Regional Operations, Eastern Region, District Office and conservation officer Phone: 204-652-2273 in Gillam. Fire control officer Phone: 204-679-2253 in Thompson.

Manitoba Economic Development and Training

Communities Economic Development Fund (CEDF) Phone: 204-778-4138 in Thompson (Head Office) or toll free: 1-800-561-4315.

Manitoba Finance

Employment Standards Branch Phone:

204-677-6664 in Thompson or toll free:
1-800-821-4307.

Workplace Safety and Health Branch toll free:
1-855-957-SAFE (7233).

Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living
Public health inspector Phone: 204-677-6472 in
Thompson.

Manitoba Indigenous and Northern Relations
Northern Affairs Branch, Northern Region
Phone: 204-677-6786 in Thompson. The 24
hour emergency number toll free:
1-866-735-3111.

Manitoba Infrastructure
Emergency Measures Organization, General
Office and emergency management advisor toll
free: 1-888-267-8298.

Manitoba Justice
Circuit court sits at Gilliam coordinated by the
Thompson Regional Court Office Phone:
204-677-6761.

Manitoba Municipal Relations
Community and Regional Planning Branch,
Regional Office Phone: 204-945-8353 in
Winnipeg.

Norman Region, Recreation and Regional
Services Branch Phone: 204-627-8213 in
The Pas.

Office of the Fire Commissioner, emergency
services officer Phone: 204-726-6855 in
Brandon. The 24 hour emergency response
number toll free: 1-888-253-1488.

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