Appendix A:
The Fires Prevention and Emergency Response Act (FPERA)

Definitions

Local Authority
A local authority can be:
- a municipality,
- an incorporated community under The Northern Affairs Act,
- the minister responsible for The Northern Affairs Act (for areas in Northern Manitoba without an incorporated community), or
- a local government district.

Designate (FPERA)
A designate includes:
- deputy fire commissioner,
- assistant fire commissioner,
- designated inspectors,
- local assistants, or
- anyone who has been delegated powers under Section 23(3).

Local Assistant
A local assistant can be:
- the chief of the fire department of a local authority or, if there is no fire department, the chief administrative officer,
- the person designated by the minister responsible for the administration of The Northern Affairs Act, in areas of Northern Manitoba outside the boundaries of an incorporated community,
- the resident administrator of a local government district, or
- a person appointed in writing by the fire commissioner.

Reporting by Local Authority
Local authorities must report to the Office of the Fire Commissioner when:
- the local assistant changes, or
- a local assistant delegates any part of their role, including the name of each delegate.

Delegation by Local Assistants
A local assistant may delegate their powers, duties, and functions to another employee of the local authority or another person. Fire safety inspections may only be delegated to a person who has the prescribed qualifications.

Identification Requirements
Anyone who is a “designate” and enters land or a building to investigate a fire or conduct a fire safety inspection must produce identification when requested.