Frequently Asked Questions: Portable Assessment Credit (PAC)

1. **How can I find out how many credits PAC credits are in my PAC account?**

You can call the Mineral Titles Branch at **1-866-616-4999** or email **Mineral.Titles@gov.bc.ca** and ask to have your PAC statement emailed or faxed to you.

2. **How can I use my PAC account?**

There are 2 ways of applying PAC to your claims:

1. While registering technical work, you can add 30% of your total work required to your total work value to move your claims forward; or
2. If a claim already has 10 years of work applied to it, you can use PAC to move that claim forward up to 5 work years where the assessment requirements are covered by using value from your PAC account. This option can only be applied once in the lifetime of the claim.


3. **With the changes to the Mineral Tenure Act Regulations that bring claims back to year 1 am I still able to apply 100% PAC to my claims?**

The particular change to which you refer is found in [section 22(3)](https://www.gov.bc.ca/content.gov/en/minerals-registries-and-claims/section-22.html) of the Mineral Tenure Act Regulation and has no effect on your ability to apply 100% PAC to your claims. However, included in the Regulation changes that took effect July 1, 2012, is a change to [section 9(5)](https://www.gov.bc.ca/content.gov/en/minerals-registries-and-claims/section-9.html) that increased the value of the credits needed to apply 100% PAC from $16.00/ha to $40.00/ha.

The application of 100% PAC to your claim is subject to the following criteria:

1. A minimum of 10 years of approved exploration and development already recorded on the claim (physical and technical);
2. 100% PAC withdrawal has never been previously applied in the lifetime of the claim; and
Prior to applying a 100% PAC withdrawal, submit an email to Mineral.Titles@gov.bc.ca with a list of claims and ask for Mineral Titles staff to review the list to make sure that the claims qualify.