

Frequently Asked Questions: Portable Assessment Credit (PAC)

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1. How can I find out how many 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.

Please refer to [Information Update #20 - Claim Maintenance - Portable Assessment Credit \(PAC\)](#) and [Section 9 of the Mineral Tenure Act Regulation](#).

3. With the changes to the Mineral Tenure Act Regulation (2012) 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\(3\)](#) 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\(5\)](#) 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.