

***TIMIAGAMIING ANISHINAABEG  
ONAAKONIGEWIN  
K'DIBENDAAGOZIMIN***

[Translation]

**The People of the Place of the Deep Water at the Shore  
Living Law of We who Belong**

**(TEME-AUGAMA ANISHNABAI  
CITIZENSHIP LAW)**

**(TEME-AUGAMA ANISHNABAI  
TRIBAL CITIZENSHIP GUIDE)**

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## **WHEREAS:**

The *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai) have lived within *K'dakiiminaan* (N'dakimenan) as a distinct, *self-governing* nation of people for thousands of years.

Our *inherent* traditions, customs, and sovereignty *endow us with the sole and sacred responsibility and right to define*, determine *and identify* who *our citizens* are, *K'dibendaagozimin*.

We will ensure that the acknowledged descendants of the Traditional *Odoodemag* (Families) of *K'dakiiminaan* (N'dakimenan) are *recognized* as *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai) *K'dibendaagozimin* (citizens).

We will ensure that *the* (all direct bloodline) descendants of the Traditional *Odoodemag* (Families) of *K'dakiiminaan* (N'dakimenan) have the opportunity to *share in the sacred exercise of our Stewardship responsibilities, the gifts and inherent rights that flow from the lands, waters and life of our ancient ancestral homeland, Timiigamiing*. (land and other rights that flow from our traditional use and occupation of n'Daki Menan, including but not limited to reserve land.)

We will provide a (unified) voice for the *identified* (direct bloodline) descendants of the Traditional *Odoodemag* (families) of *K'dakiiminaan* (n'Daki Menan) through *their* recognition as *K'dibendaagozimin* (citizens) *of the Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg*.

(Justice Steele of the Ontario High Court of Justice recognized that the Teme-Augama Anishnabai has the right to determine its own citizenship.)

(Section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982 recognizes and affirms the existing aboriginal and treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada.)

(The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples recognizes that all Indigenous Peoples have the right to self-determination.)

## 1. DEFINITIONS

*“Application Form” is the form an applicant for Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Citizenship will complete for submission to the Enrollment Officer.*

"**Appeals Committee**" means the committee appointed pursuant to this Law to consider *K'dibendaagozimin* (citizenship) appeals.

*“Appellant” means an Applicant or Citizen who submits a formal appeal of the decisions of the Enrollment and/or Appeals Committee*

"**Citizen**" [Dibendaagozi?] means a person named in the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Registry).

*“Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin” (“Citizenship Law”)* means, the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg “Living law of we who belong”* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Law)

*“K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship) Committee”* means the Committee responsible for developing and implementing this, Law.

*“Consensus”* means that no member of the *K'dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship) Committee is actively opposed to an application for citizenship.

"**Descendant**" means a person who can trace their ancestral line back to a member of one of the Traditional *Odoodemag* (Families) of *K'dakiiminaan* (n'Daki Menan).

"**Elder**" means a (Teme-Augama Anishnabai) Citizen who is recognized by the *K'dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship) Committee as an experienced and knowledgeable source of information about community ties.

*“Enrolment Committee”* means the Enrollment Officer and two Members appointed pursuant to this Law.

*“Enrolment Officer”* means the person designated pursuant to section 8.

*“Immediate Family”* means a person's siblings, spouse, parents, grandparents, children, grandchildren.

*“Indian Act” is the primary law the federal government of Canada uses to administer Indian status, local First Nations governments and the management of reserve land.*

“**Minor**” means a person who is less than eighteen years of age.

“**K’dakiiminaan**” (“**n’Daki Menan**”) means “our land”, the traditional territory of the *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai).

“**Notice of Appeal**” means an appeal submitted pursuant to this *Onaakonigewin K’dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship Law).

“**Notice of Appeals Committee Decision**” means the notice of a decision provided by the Appeals Committee.

"**Notice of K’dibendaagozimin (Citizenship) Decision**" means a copy of the form that appears as a schedule to this *Onaakonigewin K’dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship Law).

*“Sovereignty Association Status” means a type of official and optional recognition of those descendants who wish to maintain their federally recognised membership or citizenship with a First Nation (Indian Band), Inuit or Metis Nation outside of K’dakiiminaan.*

"**Teme Augama Anishnabai (TAA) Council Meeting**" means a meeting held by the duly elected Teme Augama Anishnabai Ogimaa and Council.

“**Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii’igan**” (“**Teme-Augama Anishnabai Central Registry**”) means the list of persons enrolled as *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai) citizens in accordance with the terms of this *Onaakonigewin K’dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship Law), maintained by the Enrolment Officer.

“**Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Odoodemag Keshawaajibii’iganan**” means the charts that contain the genealogy of the *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg*.

"**Traditional Odoodemag (Families) of K’dakiiminaan**” (**n’Daki Menan**) means persons named on the *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Odoodemag Keshawaajibiihiganan* (Temagami Genealogy Charts), and their (Direct Bloodline) Descendants.

“**Working Days**” means the days between and including Monday through Friday, excluding weekends and public holidays.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

2.1 The objectives of the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimim* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Law) are:

- (a) to set out the guiding principles used to determine who is a *Timiigamiing Anishinaabe* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizen).
- (b) to establish, maintain and administer the citizenship list, to be known as the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Central Registry).
- (c) to safeguard the continued existence and *wellbeing* of the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai) and *K'dakiiminaan* (n'Daki Menan) for the benefit of all present and future *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai) Citizens; and
- (d) to ensure that *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (Teme Augama Anishnabai) Citizens have a strong identity and sense of belonging, so that together we can fulfill our obligations and responsibilities to *K'dakiiminaan* (n'Dakimenan) and future generations.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY FOR CITIZENSHIP

(3.1) A person is entitled to be enrolled as a Citizen and named in the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Central Registry) provided that the person:

- (a) subject to section 5, is a (Direct Bloodline) Descendant of one of the Traditional *Odoodemag* (Families) of *K'dakiiminaan* (n'Daki Menan) and is no more than three (3) generations, or seventy-five (75) years removed from a recognized Citizen, who had lived on *K'dakiiminaan* for a least a total of one (1) year throughout their lifetime.
- (b) is acknowledged by at least one (1) *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* Traditional *Odoodemag*, as having maintained or established a familial connection to that *Odoodemag*.

- (c) was listed as a *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai) citizen on any official Teme Augama Anishnabai voters list, membership list, or any of the lists provided to the courts in the Bear Island litigation.
- (d) was listed as a member of the Temagami First Nation or was entitled to have their name entered as a member of the Temagami First Nation, according to section 11 of the Indian Act, (R.S.C 1985, c. I-5, as amended), on the date immediately *prior* to (the) [Add Effective Date Here], the effective date of this *Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship Law); or
- (e) (subject to section 3.2,) was adopted as a Minor by a person who *was or* is a Citizen or is entitled to be a Citizen.

(3.2 A person who is entitled to be enrolled as a Citizen by virtue of being listed as a member of the Temagami First Nation pursuant to section 3.1 (c), shall automatically become a Citizen and named in the Teme-Augama Anishnabai Central Registry on the Effective Date.) [note: redundant - section 3.1 d]

#### 4. CHILDREN BORN TO TAA CITIZENS

4.1 *Timiigamiing Anishinaabe* (TAA) Citizens, parent(s)/guardian(s), may register their *minor (newly born)* children as *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (TAA) Citizens by providing sufficient evidence as parent(s)/guardian(s) to the Enrolment Officer, *and acknowledgement by at least one (1) Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Traditional Odoodemag, as having a familial connection to that Odoodemag.*

4.2 A long-form birth certificate shall be considered sufficient evidence of parental/*guardianship* ties.

4.3 For greater clarity, children born to *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (TAA) Citizens do not need to apply for *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (TAA) Citizenship *in cases where a parent(s)/guardian(s) registered as a minor under section 4.1.*

#### 5. APPLICATIONS BY PERSONS WITH CITIZENSHIP OR MEMBERSHIP IN FIRST NATIONS (INDIAN BANDS), *INUIT OR METIS NATIONS, OR ANY NATION OUTSIDE OF TURTLE ISLAND* (OTHER THAN THE TEMAGAMI FIRST NATION)

5.1 Any person *eligible for citizenship under section 3*, may make an application to become a *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg* (TAA) Citizen notwithstanding their citizenship or membership in another First Nation (Indian Band), *Inuit or Metis Nation, or any Nation outside of Turtle Island.*

5.2 *Must be recognized and affirmed by at least one (1) Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Traditional Odoodemag, as having maintained or established a familial connection to that Odoodemag.*

5.3 Any application *on behalf of a minor* person with citizenship or membership in a (another) First Nation (Indian Band), *Inuit or Metis Nations, or any Nation outside of Turtle Island*, pursuant to section 4.1 will be considered by the Enrolment Committee according to the eligibility criteria in section 3.

5.4 ***Sovereignty Association Status*** may be granted to *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Descendants who wish to retain their federally recognised status as a member or citizen of a First nation (Indian Band), Inuit or Metis Nation outside of K'dakiiminaan. This Status includes:*

- a) *Recognition as a Citizen for the purposes of their descendants right to claim Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Citizenship based upon the criteria set out in section 3.*
- b) *Will have their inherent rights to hunt, fish and gather within K'dakiiminaan recognized and protected by the Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg.*
- c) *Participation in and addressing Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg assemblies and official events in a non-voting capacity.*
- d) *May participate in Odoodemag decision-making.*
- e) *May be granted access to and/or a form of tenure, for lands for family use including domicile.*
- f) *No rights to access or to be eligible for any Temagami First Nation programing or funding intended for Temagami First Nation members. May not have access to programing or funding established by the Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg intended for Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Citizens.*
- g) *No voting rights in Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg elections, referenda or assemblies.*

5.4 The Enrolment Committee will issue a recommendation to accept or reject the application that will be considered by the (TAA Assembly) *Teme-Augama Anishnabai Ogimaag and Council.*

5.5 *The Teme-Augama anishnabai Ogimaag and Council (TAA Assembly)* will issue a decision to accept or reject the application.

5.6 Decisions made under section 5.4 will be made by a majority vote through secret ballot.

## 6. APPLICATIONS BY *TIMIAGAMIING ANISHINAABEG (TAA)* CITIZENS FOR CITIZENSHIP OR MEMBERSHIP IN FIRST NATIONS (INDIAN BANDS) *INUIT OR METIS NATIONS OUTSIDE OF K'DAKIIMINAAN*

A person ceases to be a *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA)* citizen one (1) year after that person *had applied and was registered as* a member or citizen of *an (another)* Indian Band (First Nation) Inuit or Metis Nation, outside of K'dakiiminaan. (other than the Temagami First Nation. unless dual citizenship has been approved by the TAA Assembly).

(6.2 Decisions made under 6.1 will be made by a majority vote through secret ballot.)

## 7. APPLICATIONS FOR CITIZENSHIP

7.1 Individuals who wish to be considered for *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg (Teme-Augama Anishnabai)* citizenship must complete the Application Form, and submit it, with the documentation specified therein, to the Enrolment Officer.

7.2 A person may apply to become a *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg (Teme-Augama Anishnabai)* Citizen on behalf of:

- (a) themselves.
- (b) their natural, adopted or *guardianship* child who is under eighteen (18) years of age.
- (c) another person for whom they are *their spouse (legal guardian)*; or
- (d) another person for whom they have the legal authority, by power of attorney or otherwise, to manage that person's legal affairs.

7.3 For greater certainty, any person who is above the age of sixteen (16) may apply on their own behalf to become a *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg (Teme-Augama Anishnabai)* Citizen.

7.4 All persons applying to become a *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg (Teme-Augama Anishnabai)* Citizen shall be provided with access to a copy of the following by the Enrolment Officer, upon request:

- (a) the *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Law)* in effect at the time of application.



7.5 All persons applying to become a Citizen may be provided with access to a copy of the following by the Enrolment Officer, upon request and at the discretion of the Enrolment Officer:

- (a) any available genealogy charts related to the applicant's family line.

7.6 The onus to prove eligibility for citizenship is upon the applicant and it is the responsibility of the applicant to provide all information and documentation required to establish entitlement to citizenship pursuant to the requirements of section 3.

7.7 The Enrolment Committee shall review and consider all completed applications that are accompanied by supporting documentation and determine whether the applicant should be enrolled as a Citizen according to the eligibility requirements set out in section 3.

7.8 Where an application lacks information or documentation that is required for the Enrolment Committee to determine whether the applicant should be enrolled as a Citizen, the Enrolment Officer shall make reasonable efforts to contact the applicant to request the required information or documentation.

7.9 Applicants, or their appointed representative or agent, will be given the opportunity to make written and/or oral submissions to the Enrolment Committee in support of their applications if the Enrolment Committee decides written and/or oral submissions are necessary.

7.10 Where the Enrolment Committee approves an application for citizenship the Enrolment Committee shall instruct the Enrolment Officer to contact the applicant in writing and provide them with a Notice of Citizenship Decision to inform him or her of the Enrolment Committee's decision. (*note: exceptional circumstances re Council approval?*)

7.11 Where the Enrolment Committee rejects an application for citizenship, the Enrolment Committee shall instruct the Enrolment Officer to contact the applicant in writing to inform him or her of:

- (a) the Enrolment Committee's decision.
- (b) the reasons for the Enrolment Committee's decision.
- (c) the applicant's right to appeal the decision of the Enrolment Committee at any time after the receiving the Notice of Citizenship Decision; and
- (d) the procedures for appealing the decision of the Enrolment Committee.

7.12 If the Enrolment Committee rejects an application for citizenship, the applicant may only reapply for enrolment as a Citizen if that person has obtained new information or documentation supporting their eligibility under section 3.

## 8. CITIZENSHIP DECISIONS

### Enrolment Committee

8.1 The Enrolment Committee shall be appointed by the *K'dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship) Committee from among Citizens who have applied to serve on the *K'dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship) Committee.

8.2 A quorum of the Enrolment Committee shall be the Enrolment Officer, plus at least two other members of the Enrolment Committee.

8.3 The Enrolment Committee shall:

- (a) review and consider all applications for citizenship.
- (b) subject to section 12.1(g), ensure all applications are treated as confidential.
- (c) ensure that applicants are provided with the opportunity to provide further information or make written and/or oral submissions prior to any decision rejecting the application.
- (d) meet to review and consider citizenship applications every three (3) months, or more frequently if necessary.
- (e) determine whether an applicant has met the requirements for enrolment as a Citizen according to the requirements set out in section 3.
- (f) instruct the Enrolment Officer to notify applicants of its decisions in relation to applications, applicants' rights to appeal and the appeal process.
- (g) instruct the Enrolment Officer to post all Enrolment Committee decisions in the form of a Notice of Citizenship Decision in (a) prominent places in (each reserve) the community.
- (h) recommend amendments to this *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Law).

- (i) develop and maintain procedural rules to govern its activities which shall promote the principles of fairness, open dialogue and, subject to section 12.1(g), confidentiality; and
- (j) develop and maintain a code of conduct for members of the Enrolment Committee.

8.4 The Enrolment Officer shall keep minutes of every meeting of the Enrolment Committee.

8.5 The Enrolment Committee may seek the advice and guidance of Elders as required in its discretion.

8.6 Members of the Enrolment Committee may participate in the decision-making process relating to a member of their Immediate Family but may not vote in such a decision.

8.7 In the event that all members of the Enrolment Committee are disqualified from considering an application pursuant to section 8.6, a substitute committee of Members shall be appointed to consider the application.

8.8 The Enrolment Committee will endeavour to make its decisions by consensus but if there is no consensus the decision shall be made by a majority of the Enrolment Committee.

8.9 If a majority vote is not obtained, the citizenship application will be rejected.

## **9. CITIZENSHIP APPEALS**

### **Appeals of Citizenship *Application* Rejections *or Approvals***

9.1 Applicants may, *within one (1) year*, appeal decisions the Enrolment Committee rejecting an applicant's application for citizenship, *and/or all decisions made throughout the process*.

*9.2 Any Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Citizen over sixteen (16) years old, may, within thirty (30) days of a posted decision, appeal decisions of the Enrollment Committee approving an applicant's application for Citizenship.*

## Appeals Committee

9.3 All appeals of decisions of the Enrolment Committee shall be considered by the Appeals Committee and a decision rendered within ninety (90) days of receiving the Appeal.

9.4 The Appeals Committee *shall consist of 3 members* that shall be appointed by the (Teme-Augama anishnabai) *K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship) Committee from among themselves and/or Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Citizens at large, who are not members of the Enrollment Committee.*

9.5 The Appeals Committee shall:

- (a) review and consider all appeals of decisions of the Enrolment Committee which have been submitted in the manner prescribed by this Citizenship Law.
- (b) provide all individuals who commence an appeal under section 9.1 *or* 9.2 with a reasonable opportunity to make written and/or oral submissions to the Appeals Committee.
- (c) inform any individuals potentially affected by a decision of the Appeals Committee of the basis of the appeal and provide those individuals with a reasonable opportunity to make written and/or oral submissions to the Appeals Committee.
- (d) provide written reasons for all decisions of the Appeals Committee.
- (e) instruct the Enrolment Officer to contact individuals affected by decisions of the Appeals Committee of those decisions.

9.6 The Enrolment Officer shall contact the individuals affected by decisions of the Appeals Committee in writing by providing them with a Notice of Appeals Committee Decision to inform the individuals of:

- (a) the Appeals Committee's decision.
- (b) the reasons for the Appeals Committee's decision.
- (c) their right to appeal the decision of the Appeals Committee at any time after the posting of the Notice of Appeals Committee Decision.
- (d) the procedures for appealing the decision of the Appeals Committee.

9.7 No member of the Appeals Committee may participate in appeal proceedings involving a member of their Immediate Family.

9.8 The Appeals Committee will endeavour to make its decisions by consensus but if there is no consensus the decision shall be recorded as a rejection of the appeal.

### **Appeal Process**

9.9 Applicants who appeal a decision of the Enrolment Committee are entitled to make oral or written submissions or to have a representative make oral or written submissions on their behalf to the *Teme-Augama Anishnabai (TAA) Council*.

### **Final Appeals**

9.10 An Appellant may, *within one (1) year*, appeal any posted decision of the Appeals Committee to the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA) Council*.

9.11 The decision of the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA) Council* shall be made in accordance with any decision-making requirements of duly convened *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA) Council* meetings and in accordance with the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin. (TAA Citizenship Law)* *A decision on the Appeal shall be rendered within ninety (90) days of receiving the Appeal.*

9.12 The Enrolment Officer shall contact the individuals affected by decisions of the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA) Council* meeting in writing to inform the individuals of:

- (a) the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA) Councils* decision.
- (b) the reasons for the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA) Councils* decision.

9.13 All decisions of the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA) Council* shall be final.

## **10. AMENDMENTS TO THE *TIMIIGAMIING ANISHINAABEG ONAAKONIGEWIN K'DIBENDAAGOZIMIN (CITIZENSHIP LAW)***

10.1 Citizens may propose amendments to the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship Law)* to the *K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship)* Committee or the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg (TAA) Council*.

10.2 The *K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship)* Committee may, on its own initiative, propose amendments to the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship Law)*.

10.3 The *K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship)* Committee shall consider all proposed amendments to the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship Law)* and shall decide whether to submit the proposed amendments to the Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Council for their consideration to put the amendment(s) to the Citizens via referendum.

(10.4) The Citizenship Committee shall give 30 working days written notice to the Citizens of the TAA Assembly called to consider proposed amendments to this Citizenship Law. [Note: redundant]

10.5 The TAA Council shall consider all proposed amendments to this Citizenship Law and shall decide whether to submit the proposed amendments to the community for consideration at a TAA Assembly. [Note: Redundant]

10.4 The notice of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai referendum to consider proposed amendments to the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship Law)* shall contain the text of the proposed amendments, along with an explanation of the reasons that the amendments are being proposed.

10.5 All proposed amendments to the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship Law)* submitted to the Teme-Augama Anishnabai referendum (TAA Assembly) shall be adopted or rejected by a vote of the Citizens who are eighteen years of age or older participating in the referendum.

10.6 The *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin (Citizenship Law)* shall be amended only if a majority\* of Citizens who are eligible to vote, vote in favour of the proposed amendments in the referendum. [\*Note: this clause should mirror the threshold establish by an approved ratification process for the law]

## 11. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

11.1 All Citizens are responsible for ensuring that their name and other information is correctly recorded in the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Registry)*.

11.2 Citizens may request from the Enrolment Officer their information as recorded in the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan (Teme-Augama Anishnabai*

Citizenship Registry) in person, by mail, by facsimile, by electronic mail or by telephone in order to verify the accuracy of the information.

11.3 Citizens may correct inaccurate information recorded in the *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Registry) in person, by mail, by facsimile, by electronic mail or by telephone.

## 12. ENROLMENT OFFICER

12.1 The Enrolment Officer shall:

- (a) provide copies of the forms set out in the Schedules to any potential applicant or Citizen upon request.
- (b) receive all applications and written submissions in support of applications.
- (c) contact all applicants if information or documentation is missing from their application.
- (d) notify applicants of the need for written or oral submissions if necessary.
- (e) notify each applicant in writing of Enrolment Committee decisions based on their application.
- (f) advise applicants in writing of their right to appeal and the process for appeals.
- (g) post the names of persons approved by the Enrolment Committee for enrolment and addition to the Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Registry, in (a) prominent places in (each Temagami reserve) *the* community for a period of 30 days.
- (h) acknowledge receipt of notices of appeal in writing.
- (i) post all notices of decision and notices of appeal.
- (j) notify all persons affected by appeal decisions in accordance with section 9.
- (k) make additions and deletions from the *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Registry) in accordance with the provisions of this *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship Law).
- (l) record the dates of all additions and deletions from the *Timiagamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Registry).

- (m) maintain the *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Mawmandobii'igan* (Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizenship Registry).
- (n) keep minutes of all meetings of the Enrolment Committee.
- (o) process *Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg Onaakonigewin K'dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship Law) amendment proposals.
- (p) provide citizenship reports to the Enrolment Committee as required.
- (q) maintain all files related to citizenship applications, additions, deletions, appeals and issues.
- (r) subject to section 12.1(g), ensure that rules, policies and procedures are implemented to ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all applications and other personal information contained therein; and
- (s) carry out any other duties related to citizenship administration as authorized, requested or delegated by the Enrolment Committee or Appeals Committee.

### **13. INTERPRETATION**

13.1 All references in this Citizenship Law to its sections, forms and procedures are references to those sections, forms and procedures as amended from time to time.

### **14. RENUNCIATION OF CITIZENSHIP**

14.1 Any (Teme-Augama Anishnabai) Citizen may voluntarily renounce their citizenship in writing to the *K'dibendaagozimin* (Citizenship) Committee.

### ***15. OATH OF K'DIBENDAAGOZIMIN*** (citizenship)

*15.1 From where the Sun now stands, I, [name], before all my relations and all that I hold as sacred, affirm my allegiance to the Timiigamiing Anishinaabeg, whose perspectives of society and values I share, whose rights and liberties I respect, whose civic duties and responsibilities I will fulfill and whose laws I will uphold and respect.*



