

**PREFACE to 1962 Booklet on the Agrologist Act.**

**The Ontario Institute of Professional Agrologists**

The Ontario Institute of Agrologists is an organization of professional agriculturists, operating under the Provisions of the Act to incorporate the Ontario Institute of Professional Agrologists, 1960, statutes of Ontario. The Institute provides a medium through which agrologists can render greater service to the public and the agricultural industry.

The act was prepared and presented under the guidance of the Ontario Provincial Council of the Agricultural Institute of Canada. The Council president, J. W. Huxley was named the provisional president of the Institute.

The members of the Institute are mainly university graduates in agriculture and are engaged in the many fields of agriculture.

The Institute is affiliated with the Agricultural Institute of Canada, and all members of the Ontario Institute of Agrologists are also members of the national organization.

**BILL Pr10**

**1960**

1<sup>st</sup> Session, 26<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Ontario  
8-9 Elizabeth II, 1960

**An Act to incorporate the  
Ontario Institute of Professional Agrologists**

Mr. McNeil

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – February 11, 1960; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – February 18<sup>th</sup>, 1960; 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1960

**Preamble**           Whereas the persons named in section 2 by their petition have represented that they are desirous of being incorporated under the name 'Ontario Institute of Professional Agrologists', herein called the Institute, for the purpose of carrying out the object of the Institute and of the government and discipline of its members; and whereas the petitioners have prayed that special legislation be passed for such purpose; and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the petition;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

**Interpretation**    1.    In this Act, "agrology" means the science or art of agriculture, including scientific experiments and research in relation thereto, and "agrologist" means a person who teaches, demonstrates or performs any work or service in agrology.

**Institute  
Incorporated**       2.    J. W. Huxley, Manager, Toronto; W. M. Fisher, Farmer, Burlington;  
A. E. Barrett, Executive Assistant, Ottawa; E. F. Bolton, Soil  
Specialist. Woodslee: W. S. Carpenter. Extension Specialist.

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Vineland; P. W. Couse, Manager, Toronto; D. W. Hoffman, Pedologist, Guelph; J. W. Ketcheson, Professor, Guelph; W. D. MacClement, Professor, Hamilton; W. H. Minshall, Botanist, London; P. R. Pennington, Manager, Toronto; W. D. Porter, Statistician, Ottawa; and such other persons as hereafter may become members of the Institute are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic under the name "Ontario Institute of Professional Agrologists".

- Object 3. The object of the Institute is to promote and increase the knowledge, skill and proficiency of its members in the practice of their profession.
- Membership 4. (1) Any person who is of the full age of twenty-one years or over and is of good character may, upon payment of the fees prescribed by the by-laws of the Institute, be registered as a member of the Institute:
- (a) if he holds a degree in agriculture from the Ontario Agricultural College granted by the University of Toronto;
  - (b) if he holds a degree in agriculture from any college or university that in the opinion of the Council has courses and standing equivalent to those of the Ontario Agricultural College;
  - (c) if he holds a degree other than in agriculture from a college or university and satisfies the Council that he possesses qualification equivalent to that required under clause a or b;
  - (d) if he holds membership in good standing in a professional agricultural body having standards for admission to membership in that body that in the opinion of the Council are equivalent to those under clause a. b or c; or
  - (e) if he is a resident of Ontario who, within one year after the day this Act comes into force, files an application with the Council in that behalf and satisfies the Council by credentials or otherwise that he, by reason of experience, training or examinations possesses qualifications similar to those required by this Act and the by-laws of the Institute.
- Exception 4. (2) No corporation, partnership or association of persons shall be registered as a member of the Institute.
- Certificate of membership 5. Every applicant who qualifies for registration and has paid the required fees shall be issued a certificate of membership under the seal of the Institute and the signatures of the president and registrar.
- Register 6. (1) The registrar of the Institute shall enroll in a register provided by the Council the names of all persons admitted as members of the Institute.
- Idem 6. (2) The registrar shall keep the register correct in accordance with this Act and the by-laws of the Institute.
- Privileges 6. (3) Only those members whose names appear in the register are entitled to the privileges of membership in the Institute.

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Real and personal property	7. The Institute may acquire, by purchase, lease or otherwise, and hold real and personal property for its purposes and alienate, exchange, lease, mortgage or otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof as occasion may require.
Council	8. (1) There shall be a council of the Institute, herein called the Council, which shall control and manage the affairs of the Institute.
Composition	8. (2) The Council shall consist of not fewer than nine and not more than fifteen members as the by-laws prescribe, all of whom shall be elected for such term and in such manner as the by-laws provide.
Vacancies	8. (3) In the case of the death, resignation or incapacity of any member of the Council the office may be declared vacant by the Council and the Council may fill the vacancy in such manner as the by-laws provide, and absence from three consecutive meetings or cancellations or suspension of registration may be treated by the Council as incapacity.
Officers, staff	8. (4) The Council may appoint a registrar, staff secretary, treasurer and such other officers and employees as are provided for in the by-laws.
Holding more than one office	8. (5) The same person may hold more than one office.
By-laws	9. (1) The Council may pass by-laws, not contrary to law or to the provision of this Act, for all purposes relating to the affairs, business and property of the Institute, its management, government, aims, objects and interests, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) prescribing the number of and the term of office of the members of the Council;</li><li>(b) providing for the election of the members of the Council and for the filling of vacancies thereon;</li><li>(c) providing for the election or appointment of such officers of the Institute as are necessary for carrying out the purposes of the Institute, and prescribing their powers and duties;</li><li>(d) providing for the remuneration and reimbursement of members of the Council and the officers and employees of the Institute;</li><li>(e) fixing the dates and places of meetings of the Institute and the Council and prescribing the manner of calling and conducting such meetings;</li><li>(f) providing for the fixing, levying and collecting of fees payable upon application for registration and renewal of registration, and prescribing the penalties for failure to make such payments;</li><li>(g) providing for the keeping of a register of members and the conditions and procedure of registration, annual renewal of registration and the cancellation or suspension of registration;</li><li>(h) providing for the management of the property of the Institute;</li><li>(i) prescribing a code of ethics to govern the discipline, conduct and control of members;</li></ul>

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- (j) governing the expenditures and dispositions of the revenue of the Institute and prescribing the books and records to be kept and providing for audits;
- (k) providing for qualifications of membership in addition to those prescribed in section 4;
- (l) providing for the forms of certificates of registration and their renewal ;
- (m) regulating the conduct of the members of the Institute, including the suspension or expulsion of any member for misconduct or violation of the by-laws of the Institute;
- (n) providing for a board of examiners and prescribing its powers and duties;
- (o) providing for the form of application, the examination of applicants and proof of academic qualification, experience in agrology and any other qualifications required for registration;
- (p) providing for the re-examination of applicants and for the procedure and conditions of restoring registration where such registration has been cancelled or suspended by the Council;
- (q) respecting any matter deemed necessary or advisable for the effective management of the Institute and the conduct of its business.

Approval of by-laws	9. (2) No by-law shall come into force until approved at an annual general meeting of the Institute or at a special general meeting called for the purpose of considering the by-law.
Provisional council	10. (1) The persons named in section 2 are hereby constituted the provisional council of the Institute; the first-named shall hold office as president, the second-named shall hold the office as vice-president and the remainder shall hold office as councillors until their successors are elected in accordance with the by-laws of the Institute.
Provisional by-laws	10. (2) The provisional council shall prepare provisional by-laws for the purposes set out in section 9.
General meeting	10. (3) The provisional council within six months after the day this Act comes into force shall call a general meeting of the members of the Institute for the purposes of organization, of approving the provisional by-laws and of electing the members of the Council.
Surplus	11. Any surplus moneys derived from carrying on the affairs and business of the Institute shall be devoted solely to promoting and carrying out its object.

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- Application of Act 12. Nothing in this Act affects the practice of any profession or calling by any person practising the same under any general or special Act and nothing in this Act or the by-laws passed by the Council pursuant to this Act shall be taken or deemed to relieve any person from compliance with any general or special Act relating to the practice of any profession or calling.
- Commencement 13. This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.
- Short title 14. This Act may be cited as *The Ontario Professional Agriologists Act, 1960*.

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