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Source - Mortgage, Loan Property

## RECTORY REGULATIONS

Diocese of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island

- A. <u>Construction</u> see 2.2.2a (Diocesan Council September 20, 1995)
- B. <u>Inspection Checklist</u> see 2.2.2b (Diocesan Council September 20, 1995) 2.2.2c Property Inspection (Regional Deans)
- C. <u>Provisions of Utilities</u> Diocesan Policy requires the provision of heat, light and power, water and telephone (excluding personal long distance tolls), fridge, stove, <u>washer and dryer in every parish in the Diocese effective no later than January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.</u>

Diocesan Council – November 19, 1980 Executive Committee – February 27, 1969 Synod – 1969

- D) <u>Canon</u> The Canon covering the provision of rectories is Canon 38 on "Parochial Property."
- E) Housing Allowance —If a parish does not own a rectory then an appropriate housing allowance shall be paid to the rector in lieu of the provision of a Rectory.

The housing allowance should be based on the fair rental value for a 3 or 4 bedroom house, in the area served by the parish. Such a figure should be set after consulting with a local realtors and be based on a building of equivalent nature to that described in the Diocesan Rectory Construction Guidelines. Upon request by the incumbent, the Parish shall provide and advance to the incumbent for the first month's rent and damage deposit to maximum of 10% of the regular yearly housing allowance. Such an advance shall be amortized over the first 12 months with the monthly housing allowance being reduced accordingly.

PLEASE NOTE: As per policy 2.1.19, the salary compensation package for each clergy person shall consist of stipend plus housing (either a rectory or a housing allowance), regardless of personal circumstances. This includes but is not limited to instances when two members of the clergy are married to one another.