



SURFACE RIGHTS BOARD INFORMATION SHEET #6

ADJOURNMENTS

To request an adjournment or delay of a hearing, a party must apply to the Board in writing and give reasons why the adjournment is required. **The request should be made at least 7 days prior to the mediation or arbitration hearing and a copy must be provided to the other party.**

The Board will not reschedule a mediation or arbitration hearing unless there is a good reason and it will not cause undue prejudice to the other parties. As parties are consulted before a mediation or arbitration is scheduled, an adjournment may not be reasonable except in extraordinary circumstances.

If there is enough time after an adjournment application is received, the Board may:

- request a response from the other parties,
- request further information from both parties, or
- require the parties attend an pre-hearing conference to discuss the application.

If the Board allows an adjournment, it may impose conditions on the parties, including:

- attendance at a pre-hearing conference;
- the production of documents or reports; or
- the payment of costs.

When the adjournment application is received less than 7 days prior to the hearing, there is a greater possibility that the party may be required to pay costs as a consequence of the delay.

For questions or other Information Sheets, please contact us or see our web site at:

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Application Forms and Information Sheets are available from any Service BC Centre (Government Agent) and Applications may be delivered to the Board either directly or through Service BC	