

# REGULATIONS

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## FREE GRANTS AND HOMESTEADS ACT.

Persons desiring to take the benefit of the Free Grants Act must apply to the Crown Lands Agent for the district in which they intend to settle. The agent will give them information as to what land is open for settlement, and will furnish them with printed forms of affidavits which are necessary to be made by the applicants.

On being properly located by a Crown Lands Agent and on performance of settlement duties, a single man over eighteen, or a married man, without children under eighteen residing with him, or the female head of a family having children under eighteen residing with her, is entitled to a free grant of 100 acres. If the 100 acres selected consists of a considerable portion of rock, swamp or waste land, the Commissioner of Crown Lands may make an allowance for such waste land, and may increase the quantity of land located to any number of acres not exceeding 200 acres. The male head of a family having a child or children under eighteen residing with him or her may be located for 200 acres as a free grant. And such male head of a family is permitted to purchase another 100 acres at 50 cents per acre cash, at the time of location.

In the townships which are laid out in sections or lots of 320 acres or 160 acres, the locatee will be entitled only to 160 acres, and he or she may purchase another 160 acres for 50 cents an acre cash.

Upon being located, the locatee may enter and improve his land, and he is required to do so within one month.

Settlement duties as follows must be performed by all locatees and purchasers.

(1) *At least fifteen acres to be cleared and had under cultivation, of which two acres at least are to be cleared and cultivated annually during the five years.*

(2) *To have built a habitable house, at least 16 by 20 feet in size.*

(3) *And to have resided actually and continuously upon and cultivated the land for five years after location and thence to the issue of the patent.*