

Powers of acting Minister, successor or deputy.

(2) Words directing or empowering a Minister of the Crown to do an act or thing, or otherwise applying to him by his name of office, include a Minister acting for him, or, if the office is vacant, a Minister designated to act in the office by or under the authority of an order in council, and also his successors in the office, and his or their deputy, but nothing in this subsection shall be construed to authorize a deputy to exercise any authority conferred upon a Minister to make a regulation as defined in the *Regulations Act*. 5

Successors to and deputy of public officer.

(3) Words directing or empowering any other public officer to do any act or thing, or otherwise applying to him by his name of office, include his successors in the office and his or their deputy. 10

Powers of holder of public office.

(4) Where a power is conferred or a duty imposed on the holder of an office as such, the power may be exercised and the duty shall be performed by the person for the time being charged with the execution of the powers and duties of the office. 15

Evidence.

Documentary evidence.

24. (1) Where an enactment provides that a document is evidence of a fact without anything in the context to indicate that the document is conclusive evidence, then, in any judicial proceedings, the document is admissible in evidence and the fact shall be deemed to be established in the absence of any evidence to the contrary. 20

Queen's Printer.

(2) Every copy of an enactment having printed thereon what purports to be the name or title of the Queen's Printer and Controller of Stationery shall be deemed to be a copy purporting to be printed by the Queen's Printer for Canada. 25

Computation of Time.

Time limits and holidays.

25. (1) Where the time limited for the doing of a thing expires or falls upon a holiday, the thing may be done on the day next following that is not a holiday. 30

Clear days.

(2) Where there is a reference to a number of clear days or "at least" a number of days between two events, in calculating the number of days there shall be excluded the days on which the events happen. 35

Not clear days.

(3) Where there is a reference to a number of days, not expressed to be clear days, between two events, in calculating the number of days there shall be excluded the day on which the first event happens and there shall be included the day on which the second event happens. 40

Beginning and ending of prescribed periods.

(4) Where a time is expressed to begin or end at, on or with a specified day, or to continue to or until a specified day, the time includes that day.