

4. If the land is surveyed the pre-emptor must make application to the commissioner exactly as in the case of unsurveyed lands, but it will not be necessary to plant posts.

5. Every pre-emption shall be rectangular or square shape, and 160 acres shall measure either 40 chains by 40 chains—880 yards by 880 yards, or 20 chains by 80 chains—440 yards by 1760 yards; 80 acres shall measure 20 chains by 40 chains; and 40 acres, 20 chains by 20 chains. All lines shall run true north and south and true east and west.

6. When a pre-emption is bounded by a lake or a river, or by another pre-emption or by surveyed land, such boundary may be adopted and used in describing the boundaries of the land.

#### OCCUPATION OF LAND.

7. Sixty days after recording the pre-emptor must enter into occupation of the land and proceed with improving the same. Occupation means continuous bona fide personal residence of the pre-emptor or his family, but he and his family may be absent for any one period not exceeding two months in any year. If the pre-emptor can show good reason for being absent from his claim for more than two months, the Land Commissioner may grant his six months' leave. Absence without leave for more than two months will be looked upon as an abandonment of all rights and the record may be cancelled.

8. No person can take up or hold more than one pre-emption.

9. The pre-emptor must have his claim surveyed, at his own expense, within five years from the date of record.

10. After survey has been made, upon proof in declaration in writing of himself and two other persons, of occupation for three years from date of pre-emption, and having made permanent improvements on the land to the value of \$2.50 per acre, the settler on producing the pre-emption certificate obtains a certificate of improvements upon payment of a fee of \$2.00.

11. After obtaining the certificate of improvements the settler is entitled to a Crown grant in fee simple, without any additional cost except the Crown grant fee, which is \$10.

12. A pre-emption cannot be sold or transferred until after it is Crown-granted.

13. A pre-emption cannot be staked or recorded by an agent.

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