



Garden River First Nation

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GARDEN RIVER FIRST NATION MATRIMONIAL REAL PROPERTY LAW:

Garden River First Nation is currently developing its own Matrimonial Real Property Law. The development of this law will include the real property on land held by one or both spouses or common-law partners and used by the family. The law is applied in the event of death, divorce or separation and domestic violence. The content of the law has to be agreed upon by the First Nation and its members. Community members have the right to provide input on the law and to be made aware when a vote on the law is scheduled to take place.

GARDEN RIVER FIRST NATION MATRIMONIAL REAL PROPERTY LAW ADDRESSES:

The Matrimonial Real Property Law addresses the following rights and protections:

- Division of on-reserve matrimonial real property law on the breakdown of a marriage
- Other orders relating to real property located on-reserve such as:
 - Emergency Protection Orders:
 - How long should an order be applicable to non-members?
 - Exclusive Occupation Orders:
 - How long should an order be applicable to non-members?
 - Enforcement of Written Agreements:
 - Should enforcements be enforced by the courts? Or by the Anishinabek Nation Tribunal?
 - How long should a non-member inhabit a home upon the death of a spouse?

Please refer to the Garden River First Nation website – www.gardenriver.org – for further information and to retrieve a copy of the draft law. All feedback and input could be directed to the members of the MRP technical team at the GRFN Band Administration Office – (705) 946-6300.

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