



QUILAKWA INVESTMENTS LTD

Quilakwa Investments is notifying all patrons that effective June 1, 2023, **all customers MUST pre-pay for fuel.**

We have previously permitted “fill-ups”, as we are a full-service gas station, by holding a valid Status card and method of payment. Moving forward, **ALL FUEL TRANSACTIONS MUST BE PRE-PAID.** Like most gas bars, our point-of-sale is designed to automatically return any unused funds from an electronic fuel pre-authorization directly onto the card – no need to return to the store for a refund. This will improve efficiency for both our store clerks and our customers. (*Note: cash customers WILL need to return for a refund if necessary)

Methods of pre-paying for fuel:

- Paying via debit/credit at the pump
- Paying via cash/debit/credit to a Fuel Attendant at the Gas Kiosk
- Paying via cash/debit/credit to a Store Clerk in the Store

We also remind everyone that **all customers MUST present a valid Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS) card in order to receive tax exemption** on any fuel or tobacco purchase.

It is the intention of Quilakwa Investments to ensure all government regulations are adhered to completely and the security of our patrons’ privacy be kept fully intact during any transaction.

From Section 4.22.2 of the *OHS Regulation ("Regulation")*:

An employer must require that customers prepay for fuel sold in gas stations and other retail fueling outlets.

From Bulletin TTA-001 of the Ministry of Finance’s Tobacco Tax Act:

When you sell products to a First Nations individual or band on First Nations land, you must verify the purchaser is eligible to purchase tax-exempt products. Each Certificate of Indian Status card bears the cardholder’s photograph, name, signature, and either a band name and number or a registration number. When presented with a Certificate of Indian Status card by an individual requesting to purchase tax-exempt as a First Nations individual, you must ensure the individual qualifies for exemption and follow the documentation procedures listed below:

- 1. Check that the photograph on the status card is that of your customer.*
- 2. Record the individual’s name, Certificate of Indian Status registration number.*
- 3. Obtain your customer’s signature.*
- 4. Check that this signature matches the signature on the card.*

This policy applies to all customers, including Splatsin First Nation community members.