

## Loon River First Nation

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# Housing Policy

***As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 the Loon River Housing Department will be implementing the new housing policy as directed by Chief & Council.***

With the growing population and rise in construction costs, Loon River is required to act. This is the rationale in following the new *Housing Policy* and to execute the rules and responsibilities written its pages.

With the new policy there are numerous changes to how the Housing Department, Chief, Council and Loon River First Nation's members must act on. Several of the key changes are listed below:

- Maintenance fee (this is an additional cost above the water fee); this is to aid in the rising costs of material and labor. This new monthly fee has been set @ \$50.00 per month. *All* residences will have to pay this. Non-payment could result in no work being done on your home.
- Renovations will be on 50%/50% payment bases whereas the occupant pays 50% and the Nation pays 50%, unless deemed an emergency circumstance.
- All occupants new/old must sign home agreement with the Nation. For this, all homeowners must come to the Housing Department to sign the agreement.
- There *will be* different classifications of housing units.
- There *will be* an eligibility criteria for all new applications.

These are a few of the core changes and there are some other changes to how the Housing Department will operate in the policy which will be made available at the administration office. You can ask for a copy of the Housing Policy from the receptionist's desk.

If you have any questions please contact the Housing Department during regular business hours @ 780-649-3883