

Complete this form to calculate your British Columbia mining exploration tax credit (BC METC). If you are completing a return for a corporation, use Schedule 421 of the T2 return. You must be resident in British Columbia on the last day of the year for which you are applying for this credit. If you need more space when completing Part 2 and Part 3, attach a separate sheet of paper.

The BC METC is equal to 20% of the amount by which the total qualified mining exploration expenses incurred in the tax year **exceed** the total of all assistance or reimbursements that were received, entitled to be received, or reasonably expected to be received for the expenses.

Qualified mining exploration expenses incurred after February 20, 2007, in prescribed Mountain Pine Beetle affected areas are eligible for a BC METC equal to 30% of the amount by which the total qualified mining exploration expenses incurred in the tax year **exceed** the total of all assistance or reimbursements that were received, entitled to be received, or reasonably expected to be received for the expenses. The prescribed Mountain Pine Beetle affected areas are defined by regulation.

If you are a member of a partnership, other than a limited or non-active member, you can claim your proportionate share of the partnership's total mining exploration tax credit. Complete Form T1249, *British Columbia Mining Exploration Tax Credit Partnership Schedule*. This form is available at [www.cra.gc.ca/forms](http://www.cra.gc.ca/forms) on the Canada Revenue Agency's Web page or by calling 1-800-959-8281.

You must claim your BC METC no later than 36 months after the end of the tax year in which the total qualified mining exploration expenses were incurred.

If you are filing electronically, keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a later date. **If you are filing a paper return, attach this form and, if applicable, your Form T1249.**

Part 1 – Identification		Tax year ▶ 2015
Name (print)		Social insurance number
Address (print)		

Part 2 – Exploration information		
<p>Mineral resources that qualify for the credit include the following mineral and other deposits: base or precious metal, coal, bituminous sands, oil shale, ammonite gemstone, calcium chloride, kaolin, diamond, gypsum, halite, sylvite, silica extracted from sandstone or quartzite, and deposits certified by the Minister of Natural Resources that have been extracted as an industrial mineral contained in a non-bedded deposit.</p> <p>Enter the British Columbia free miner certificate number.</p> <p>List the mineral resource(s) for which exploration has taken place.</p> <p>For qualified mining exploration expenses in Part 3, identify each project and mineral title, and the mining division where the title is registered.</p>		
Project name	Mineral title	Mining division

Part 3 – Qualified mining exploration expenses	
<p>Qualified expenses are expenses that you incurred for goods and services that are all or substantially all provided in British Columbia. Expenses must be reasonable in the circumstances and must not have been claimed by another person in relation to the mining exploration tax credit.</p> <p>Expenses that <b>do not qualify</b> for this credit include:</p> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>an amount renounced under section 66 of the federal <i>Income Tax Act</i>;</li><li>any amount renounced and reported to an investor on slip T101 or T5013;</li><li>any expense related to a mine that has come into production in reasonable commercial quantities, or to a potential or actual extension of such a mine;</li><li>a Canadian development expense or a Canadian exploration and development overhead expense (CEDOE) as defined in the federal <i>Income Tax Act</i> and <i>Income Tax Regulations</i>. A CEDOE includes administration, management, or financing of your business, and salary, wages, or other remuneration or related benefits paid to a person whose duties were not all or substantially all directed towards exploration or development activities. It also includes payments for taxes, insurance, maintenance, and leases for property on which there were no substantial exploration activities;</li></ul></div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a cost of, or for the use of, seismic data referred to in paragraph 66(12.6)(b.1) of the federal <i>Income Tax Act</i>;</li><li>an outlay or expense incurred in the course of earning income if any of the income is exempt income, as defined in subsection 248(1) of the federal <i>Income Tax Act</i>, or is exempt from tax under Part I of the Act;</li><li>an expense incurred in drilling or completing an oil or gas well, in building a temporary access road to an oil or gas well, or in preparing a site in respect of an oil or gas well;</li><li>any personal or living expenses other than travel expenses incurred while you were away from home in the course of carrying on the eligible activities (see Part 3 on the next page);</li><li>an outlay or expense included in the capital cost of depreciable property; and</li><li>any consideration you gave for any share of any interest in, or right to a share.</li></ul></div> <p>Complete the calculation on the next page. <b>Do not include any amounts incurred by a partnership in the calculation for Part 3 and Part 4.</b></p> <p>Continue Part 3 on the next page.</p>	

Part 3 – Qualified mining exploration expenses (continued)

- Enter in column 1, by activity, the total qualified mining exploration expenses incurred from **January 1 to December 31, 2015**, for the mineral titles listed in Part 2.
- Enter in column 2 only the amounts of your expenses from column 1 that were incurred from **January 1 to December 31, 2015**, in prescribed Mountain Pine Beetle affected areas.

	Column 1		Column 2	
Prospecting		1		1
Geological, geophysical, or geochemical survey	+	2	+	2
Drilling by rotary, diamond, percussion, or other methods	+	3	+	3
Trenching, digging test pits, and preliminary sampling	+	4	+	4
Other qualified mining exploration expenses (describe)	+	5	+	5
Add lines 1 to 5.	=	6	=	6

Part 4 – Assistance and reimbursements

- Enter in column 1 the total of all amounts related to the period from **January 1 to December 31, 2015**.
- Enter in column 2 only the amounts from column 1 that relate to the period from **January 1 to December 31, 2015**, in prescribed Mountain Pine Beetle affected areas.

	Column 1		Column 2	
Enter the total of all assistance (including grants, subsidies, rebates, forgivable loans) or reimbursements that were received, entitled to be received, or reasonably expected to be received for expenses claimed in Part 3.		7		7
Enter any assistance or reimbursements that you have repaid.	-	8	-	8
Line 7 minus line 8	=	9	=	9

Part 5 – Calculating your mining exploration tax credit

Enter the total qualified mining exploration expenses from line 6 of column 1 in Part 3.		10
Enter the net assistance and reimbursements from line 9 of column 1 in Part 4.	-	11
Line 10 minus line 11	=	12
Applicable rate	×	20% 13
Multiply line 12 by line 13.	=	14
Enter the total qualified mining exploration expenses from line 6 of column 2 in Part 3.		15
Enter the net assistance and reimbursements from line 9 of column 2 in Part 4.	-	16
Line 15 minus line 16	=	17
Applicable rate	×	10% 18
Multiply line 17 by line 18.	=	19
Enter the amount from line 14.		20
Enter the amount from line 19.	+	21
Enter the credit amount allocated to you as a member of a partnership. Enter your proportionate share from line 22 of Form T1249, <i>British Columbia Mining Exploration Tax Credit Partnership Schedule</i> . Enter the credit also on line 20 of Form BC479, <i>British Columbia Credits</i> .	+	22
Add lines 20, 21, and 22.		
Enter the result on line 19 of Form BC479, <i>British Columbia Credits</i> .	=	23

Certification

I certify that the information given on this form is correct and complete.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date      Year      Month      Day

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