

## **FAQS ON SOK MINORS' TRUST**

### **1. *What is the SOK Minors' Trust?***

The SOK Minors' Trust is a trust dated June 19, 2020 that was set up for children who were registered members of the Heiltsuk Nation on July 16, 2019 or were entitled to automatic membership under the Heiltsuk Membership Rules on or before that date.

The SOK Minors' Trust protects a share of settlement funds received by the Heiltsuk Nation pursuant to Settlement Agreement was entered into between the Heiltsuk Nation and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and dated for reference July 16, 2019.

### **2. *What is a Professional Trustee and who it for the SOK Minors' Trust?***

A professional trustee is an institutional, independent trustee.

Royal Trust Corporation of Canada is the current professional trustee that has been appointed under the SOK Minors' Trust to protect and manage these funds in trust until each beneficiary child becomes 19 years old. Royal Trust Corporation of Canada is a company formed pursuant to the *Trust and Loan Companies Act*, S.C. 1991, c. 45, and authorized to carry on business in British Columbia. They have an office at Suite 720 - 1055 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6E 4P3.

### **3. *How do I find out if my child is a beneficiary of the SOK Minors' Trust***

To find out if your child is currently listed as a beneficiary of the SOK Minors' Trust, contact the professional trustee, Royal Trust Corporation of Canada at:

Royal Trust Corporation of Canada  
Suite 720 - 1055 West Georgia Street  
Vancouver, BC, V6E 4P3

Attn: Anthony Wright J.D., Regional Vice President, Indigenous Wealth

Email: [anthony.wright@rbc.com](mailto:anthony.wright@rbc.com)  
Tel: 1-604-665-9473  
Fax 1-604-257-6129

**4. *How do I contact Royal Trust?***

The contact information for Royal Trust Corporation of Canada to ask questions about the SOK Minors' Trust is:

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Suite 720 - 1055 West Georgia Street  
Vancouver, BC, V6E 4P3

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**5. *Will parents or guardians be able to access their child's funds before that child turns 19?***

No. Each child's settlement payment actually belongs to the child, so it will remain in trust until they are legally able to accept it for themselves. Of course parents/guardians who are Heiltsuk Eligible Members will be getting their own settlement payments.

**6. *How will a child get their money when they turn 19?***

When a child who is an Eligible Member turns 19, the professional trustee will issue a payment to that person. The 19 year old will need to provide proof of identity and whatever other details are required by the professional trustee to know they are paying the right person.

**7. *Who do I contact to see if my child is a member of the Heiltsuk First Nation?***

To see if your child is a member of the Heiltsuk First Nation, contact:

Heiltsuk Tribal Council  
226 North Wabalisla Street  
Bella, BC, V0T 1Z0

Attn: Membership Clerk

Email: [membership@heiltsuk.ca](mailto:membership@heiltsuk.ca)  
Tel.: 1-250-957-2244

**8. *How do I get my child registered as a member?***

To see if you child qualifies to be a member of the Heiltsuk First Nation, contact:

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Attn: Membership Clerk  
Email: [membership@heiltsuk.ca](mailto:membership@heiltsuk.ca)  
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