

Gas card compliance soon mandatory

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SIX NATIONS - As of May 1st, 1998, the Motor, Fuels and Tobacco Tax Branch of the Ministry of Finance of Ontario is enforcing the use of gas cards on Six-Nations and New Credit territories.

Pat Doherty, senior manager with the agency, explains that the use of gas cards has been required on all reserves except Six Nations and New Credit for several years now.

He says that the ministry met many times with then-chiefs Steve Williams and Larry Sault, who kept asking for delays because not everyone had gas cards. Doherty said that the main delay was because of Six

Nations, but the government also granted leniency to New Credit because of their proximity to the larger community.

Chief Staats says that Six Nations fought against the enforcement of the use of gas cards for so long because people in the Confederacy did not believe in applying for the cards, but should still be able to buy gas tax-free.

Staats says the provincial government has finally told council that there would be no more extensions. The government said that the decision was

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