

- (c.) The precise time of the filing of the application shall be recorded thereon by the Registrar or other officer receiving the same, and applications in respect of the same subject-matter shall have priority according to the priority of time of filing, as evidenced by the aforesaid record thereof. 5
- (d.) In the event of it appearing from such record that two or more such applications were filed simultaneously, their respective priorities shall be decided by lot in such manner as the Warden thinks fit.
- (e.) Every application shall retain its priority until such application is finally disposed of by being granted, refused, or, by leave of the Warden, withdrawn. 10
- (f.) In every case where the application relates to land it shall not be lawful for any person not theretofore in lawful occupation of the land to enter or mine thereon whilst such priority continues. 15
- (g.) If he does so enter or mine, then, in addition to any other penalty he thereby incurs, he shall be deemed a trespasser, and, moreover, all gold found by him whilst so mining shall, if the application is granted, be the property of the applicant; and in the meantime the Warden may, on application in that behalf by the applicant for the mining privilege, order all such gold to be deposited with such person as is named in that behalf in the order to abide the result of the application. 20 25
- (h.) The application shall be heard at such time and place as the Warden appoints, and the hearing shall in every case be open to the public.
- (i.) The application shall be notified in such manner, within such time, and to such persons as are prescribed, including in every case all persons whose interests will be obviously affected: 30
- Provided that in every case where the application is for a license for any mining privilege in respect of land or water outside a mining district the Commissioner of Crown Lands of the land district shall be notified, and the application shall not be granted until he has reported thereon to the Warden. 35
- (j.) Any person desiring to object to the application shall, in the prescribed manner and within the prescribed time, give to the Warden and also to the applicant notice in writing of the nature of such objection, and (subject to the succeeding provisions of this section) no person shall be entitled to appear and object unless he has duly given such notice. 40
- (k.) The Warden in his discretion may, at any time before the application is finally disposed of, direct notice thereof or of any objection thereto to be given to any person, or any survey to be made, or other act to be performed. 45
- (l.) The Warden may, of his own motion and without notice, take any objection he thinks fit, and shall not grant the application if he is satisfied that any valid objection thereto exists. 50