



**PSAC B.C. 6th Regional
Triennial Convention
April 25-27, 2014 in Vancouver, B.C.**



**STANDING TOGETHER,
STANDING STRONG**

IMPORTANT DATES FOR CONVENTION OBSERVERS

Please read enclosed guidelines carefully

Convention Start Date	Friday, April 25 at 9:30 a.m.
Convention End Date	Sunday, April 27 at 3:00 p.m.
Convention Location	The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver 900 West Georgia Street Vancouver, B.C. V6C 2W6
Registration Information	WHERE: Fairmont Hotel Vancouver Conference Floor WHEN: Thursday, April 24, 2014 5:30 PM to 9:00 PM Friday, April 25, 2014 7:00 AM to 9:30 AM
Hotel Reservation	Observers requiring accommodations during Convention are asked to make arrangements through the REVP Office by contacting Kristin Schnider via e-mail at SchnidK@psac-afpc.com Requests for reservations must be received by March 17, 2014. Please note: observers will be responsible for all costs associated with their stay at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver.

Guidelines for Observers to the

6th PSAC B.C. Regional Triennial Convention

April 25 to April 27, 2014

REGISTRATION AT THE PSAC B.C. REGIONAL CONVENTION

Registration will take place on the Conference Floor of The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver. Just look for the PSAC Registration Desk located on this level, which will be opened for registration at the following times:

Thursday, April 24, 2014: 5:30 PM to 9:00 PM
Friday, April 25, 2014: 7:00 AM to 9:30 AM

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Observers requiring accommodations at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver during Convention are asked to make their arrangements through the REVP Office. This will ensure that they receive the special rate negotiated with the hotel.

Please provide your arrival and departure dates to Kristin Schnider via email at SchnidK@psac-afpc.com along with any special instructions for the hotel. **Requests for reservations must be received by Monday, March 17, 2014.**

Please note: observers will be responsible for all charges relating to their stay.

All hotel guests will be required to check-in using a **credit card or cash deposit** to cover charges. **If you do not have a credit card, please contact Kristin Schnider before March 17, 2014.**

SALARY

Observers are not eligible for any loss of salary compensation from PSAC B.C.

TRAVELING TO CONVENTION BY PRIVATE VEHICLE

We encourage all Convention participants to use Transit to Convention where possible. The closest Skytrain station to the hotel is the Burrard Station, which is just a short 350 metre walk to the hotel. For schedule information and to plan your transit travel, please visit the Translink website at <http://tripplanning.translink.ca/>

Observers traveling to Convention by private vehicle are advised that the current parking rate at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver as follows:

The overnight parking rate is \$39.00 (excluding taxes) with complimentary Valet service. The Hotel no longer offer separate rates for Self Parking and Valet parking, but guests are still welcome to self park if they choose.

The hourly parking rate is \$7.50 per hour plus taxes. After 6 pm there is a flat rate of \$13.00 plus taxes

Please note that city tax applies to parking as well as GST.

There are other pay parking lots in the vicinity of the hotel as well that may be viable alternatives.

Street parking is available; however, it has a two hour maximum and is metred from 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM seven days a week.

VANCOUVER SUN RUN ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27

This past November the Vancouver Sun Run organizers announced the annual run date as Sunday, April 27. As you know, this date coincides with our Convention dates. Unfortunately our venue was booked months before the date for the run was announced and the conflict was unavoidable. However, we hope to provide delegates with this advance information to mitigate any travel issues that might arise for delegates traveling to the hotel on the morning of Sunday, April 27.

The following street closures may impact some delegates traveling to Convention on Sunday, April 27, 2014:

Georgia Street

Seymour to Bute (race start area) closed from 5:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Bute to the Causeway (including all streets crossing Georgia) closed from 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Various Downtown Streets

All streets within the area bounded by Dunsmuir/Melville to Robson, Seymour to Bute closed from 5:00 AM -10:30 AM

Please note access to the hotel parkade will be unavailable on Sunday, April 27 until 10:30 AM due to road closures. If you will be driving to Convention on the morning of Sunday, April 27 please make plans for alternate parking.

In addition skytrain will be exceptionally busy on Sunday morning. If traveling by transit on April 27, please allow additional time for your commute to ensure that you arrive in time for the start of Sunday's program.

DISABILITIES-RELATED ACCOMMODATION

If you requested any accommodation for a disability on your registration form which requires a follow-up, please contact Kristin Schnider at 604-430-0191 or by e-mail at SchnidK@psac-afpc.com to discuss this further.

SCENT FREE/SMOKE FREE EVENT

All PSAC events are non-smoking and scent free. All delegates, observers and guests **must** refrain from using perfumes and similar products (body sprays, lotions, scented shampoos, etc.).