

## 5D General Guidelines for National Wildlife Areas

### National Wildlife Areas of Canada

National Wildlife Areas (NWAs) are protected and managed according to the [Wildlife Area Regulations](#) under the [Canada Wildlife Act](#). The primary purpose of most NWAs is the protection and conservation of wildlife and their habitat. For this purpose, and according to the legislation, activities that could interfere with the conservation of wildlife are prohibited in an NWA. Consequently, there are prohibited activities in all NWAs and there is no public access for some of them. Nonetheless, the Minister of the Environment has the ability to authorize activities, whether through public notice or the issuance of permits, for those activities benefiting wildlife and their habitat, or that are not inconsistent with the purpose for which the NWA was established and are consistent with the management plan goals for the NWA.

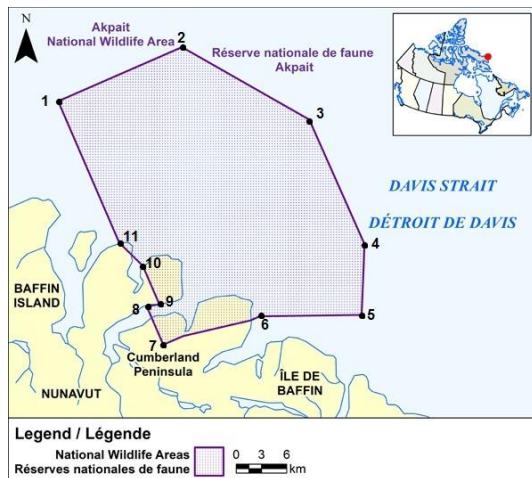
For general information regarding Canada’s National Wildlife Areas, please contact Environment and Climate Change Canada at 1-800-668-6767 (in Canada only) or [ec.enviroinfo.ec@canada.ca](mailto:ec.enviroinfo.ec@canada.ca), or visit our website: <https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/wildlife-habitat.html>.

### General Guidelines for National Wildlife Areas in Nunavut

Canadian and foreign vessels are not allowed to enter NWAs and MBSs in Nunavut without a permit. These protected areas are managed according to their associated Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement (IIBA) for National Wildlife Areas and Migratory Bird Sanctuaries in the Nunavut Settlement Area. Any foreign vessel ship captain who is planning to enter in any of these protected areas without a permit, claiming a right of innocent passage, is strongly advised to communicate with Environment and Climate Change Canada (Canadian Wildlife Service) at least two weeks in advance.

### [Akpait National Wildlife Area](#)

#### Coordinates



All geographic coordinates (latitude and longitude) are expressed in the North American Datum 1983 (NAD83) Canadian Spatial Reference System (CSRS).

Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	67°08'00" N	61°51'00" W
2	67°08'00" N	61°29'06" W
3	67°00'35" N	61°15'00" W
4	66°52'00" N	61°15'00" W

Point	Latitude	Longitude
5	66°48'00" N	61°20'00" W
6	66°50'30" N	61°35'00" W
7	66°51'17" N	61°51'00" W
8	66°53'55" N	61°51'00" W
9	66°53'43" N	61°49'00" W
10	66°56'21" N	61°49'00" W
11	66°58'17" N	61°51'00" W
12	66°50'30" N	61°36'41" W
13	66°51'17" N	61°47'29" W
14	66°51'17" N	61°51'00" W

### Prohibitions

Navigating within Akpait National Wildlife Area without a permit is prohibited except for Inuit exercising their rights as per the Nunavut Agreement or the Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement.

### Permitting Requirements

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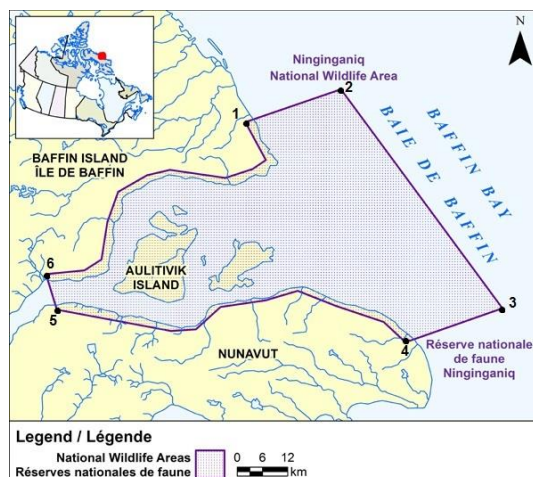
More information on access and permitting for Akpait National Wildlife Area can be obtained by contacting the Environment and Climate Change Canada regional office.

### Contact Information

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## Ninginganiq National Wildlife Area

### Coordinates



All geographic coordinates (latitude and longitude) are expressed in the North American Datum 1983 (NAD83) Canadian Spatial Reference System (CSRS).

Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	69°50'00" N	67°13'16.87" W
2	69°50'00" N	66°36'03" W
3	69°17'00" N	66°07'13" W
4	69°17'00" N	66°44'03.04" W
5	69°34'43.78" N	68°40'00" W
6	69°39'27.57" N	68°40'00" W
7	69°20'20.42"N	66°49'02.63"W
8	69°24'15.05"N	67°03'31.74"W
9	69°27'35.80"N	67°14'46.48"W
10	69°27'44.66"N	67°26'53.39"W
11	69°28'44.21"N	67°43'08.79"W
12	69°27'00.18"N	67°54'05.06"W
13	69°27'47.29"N	68°02'51.73"W
14	69°38'27.38"N	68°26'10.99"W
15	69°39'07.15"N	68°19'00.43"W
16	69°43'25.24"N	68°12'50.42"W
17	69°46'39.12"N	68°05'41.79"W
18	69°47'32.06"N	67°53'42.01"W
19	69°47'16.38"N	67°45'05.69"W
20	69°44'05.59"N	67°26'41.32"W
21	69°44'03.59"N	67°16'12.67"W
22	69°44'36.52"N	67°10'33.68"W

### **Prohibitions**

Navigating within Ninginganiq National Wildlife Area without a permit is prohibited except for Inuit exercising their rights as per the Nunavut Agreement or the Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement.

### **Permitting Requirements**

A permit must be obtained to either navigate within or conduct any type of activity in the National Wildlife Area. Activities that may be permitted will be in accordance with the conservation objectives of the National Wildlife Area management plan. A permit is not required for Inuit exercising their rights within the National Wildlife Area as per the Nunavut Agreement or the Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement.

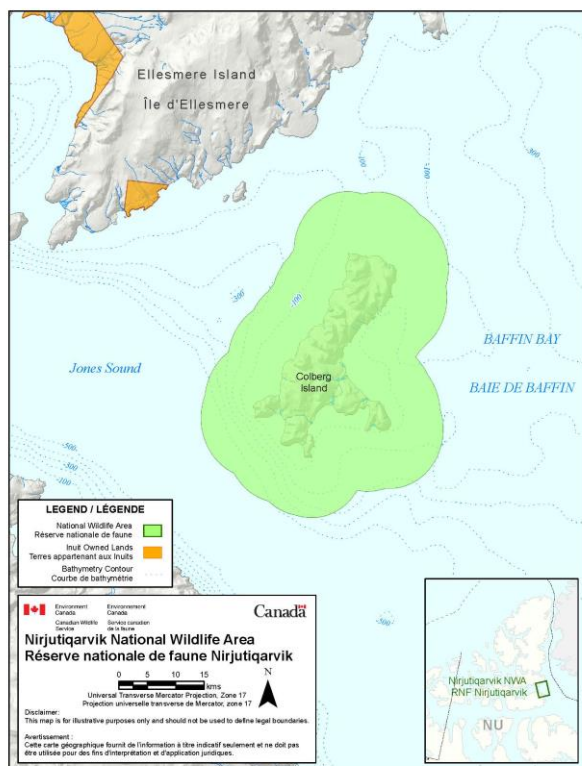
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## Nirjutiqarvik National Wildlife Area

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All of the island known as Coburg Island, the centre of which having approximate latitude 75°57'50" and approximate longitude 79°19'30"; and also all that land covered by water immediately adjacent to said Coburg Island and extending 10 km (5.4 Nautical Miles) from the ordinary high-water mark thereof.

### Prohibitions

Navigating within Nirjutiqarvik National Wildlife Area without a permit is prohibited except for Inuit exercising their rights as per the Nunavut Agreement or the Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement.

### Permitting Requirements

A permit must be obtained to either navigate within or conduct any type of activity in the National Wildlife Area. Activities that may be permitted will be in accordance with the conservation objectives of the National Wildlife Area management plan. A permit is not required for Inuit exercising their rights within the National Wildlife Area as per the Nunavut Agreement or the Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement.

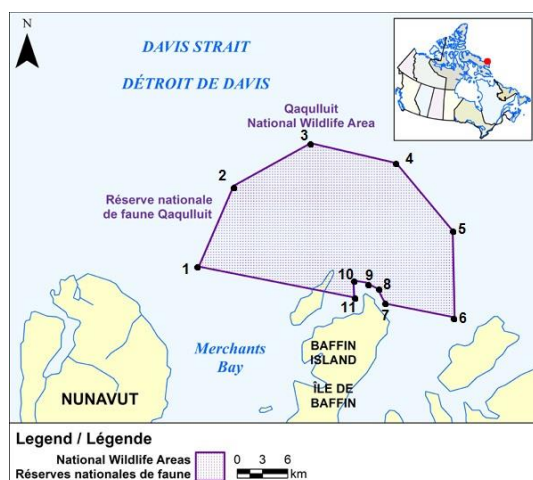
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## Qaqulluit National Wildlife Area

### Coordinates



All geographic coordinates (latitude and longitude) are expressed in the North American Datum 1983 (NAD83) Canadian Spatial Reference System (CSRS).

Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	67°17'13.53" N	62°47'28.04" W
2	67°21'05.00" N	62°37'07.13" W
3	67°21'40.56" N	62°22'47.50" W
4	67°18'24.40" N	62°11'09.29" W
5	67°13'05.16" N	62°07'02.76" W
6	67°08'01.14" N	62°12'15.74" W
7	67°10'31.73" N	62°21'46.00" W
8	67°11'35.41" N	62°21'58.76" W
9	67°12'15.21" N	62°23'25.39" W
10	67°12'38.43" N	62°25'04.87" W
11	67°11'38.90" N	62°26'01.70" W

### Prohibitions

Navigating within Qaqulluit National Wildlife Area without a permit is prohibited except for Inuit exercising their rights as per the Nunavut Agreement or the Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement.

### Permitting Requirements

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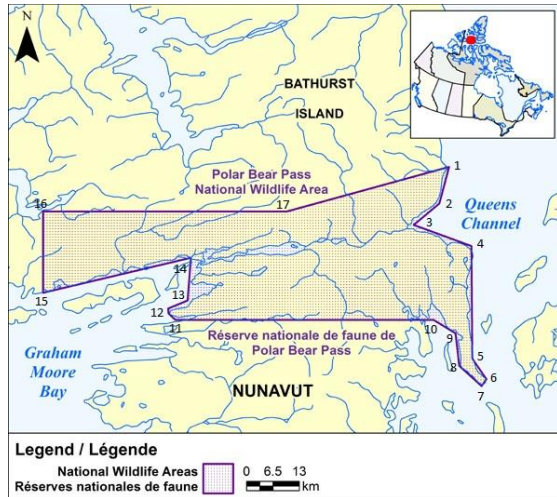
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### Nanuit Itillinga (Polar Bear Pass) National Wildlife Area

#### Coordinates



All coordinates quoted herein being Universal Transverse Mercator coordinates in Zone 14;

Point	Northing	Easting
1	8 421 000	540 000
2	8 412 000	537 600
3	8 406 700	531 300
4	8 401 500	545 500
5	8 373 800	545 700
6	8 368 700	549 200
7	8 367 000	548 000
8	8 372 000	542 500

Point	Northing	Easting
9	8 380 000	541 600
10	8 383 300	536 200
11	8 383 300	472 600
12	8 384 900	470 900
13	8 386 100	470 800
14	8 388 100	475 600
15	8 398 600	476 400
16	8 390 000	440 000
17	8 410 000	500 000
18	8 410 000	440 000

### Prohibitions

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