

## 18.—Child Labour Laws of Canada

Regulations respecting	Prince Edward Island.	Nova Scotia.	New Brunswick.	Quebec.	Ontario.
Minimum age for work in factories, shops and office buildings.	—	In factories, 14 years; every employer of children under 16 years must obtain their birth certificates. From July to October, inclusive, children under 14 years may be employed in gathering or preparing fruits, etc., for canning. In breweries the minimum age is 16 years.	In mechanical, manufacturing or mercantile establishments, 13 years. No person under 14 may be employed in the management or control of any elevator. Employment of boys or girls under 16 years is prohibited in breweries or shops, saloons, taverns or other places where intoxicating liquors are made, bottled or sold.	In ordinary industrial establishments, 14 years; in industries classified as dangerous and unwholesome, the minimum age is 16 for boys and 18 for girls. The employment of children under 16 who are unable to read and write fluently is forbidden. No person under 18 years may act as bartender in any licensed establishment.	In factories, 14 years; where work is deemed dangerous or unwholesome minimum is 16 for boys and 18 for girls. In shops, 12 years, but no child under 14 may be employed in any shop during school hours without a certificate under the Truancy Act. No persons under 16 may drive or operate motor vehicles; persons between 16 and 18 must be licensed to drive motors on highways. No person under 18 may regularly operate or control an elevator.
Minimum age for work in mines.	—	In or about coal mines, 16 years for boys; in metalliferous mines, below or above ground, 12 years. Boys between 12 and 16 years must have satisfactorily completed Grade VII before they may be employed in metal mines. No person under 18 may have charge of any part of passenger-hoisting machinery except where the machinery is worked by an animal whose driver is over 14 years, in which case the person having direction over this driver is deemed to be in charge of the machinery.	—	In the underground works of any mine or quarry, 15 years for boys; no woman or girl may be employed in the working of any mine. No male person under 20 may have charge of passenger-hoisting machinery nor under 18 have charge of hoisting, hauling, drilling, or blasting machinery. The transmission of signals and orders for putting such machines in motion may not be entrusted to persons under the full age of 16.	In or about any mine, 16 years for boys; below ground, 18 years. No woman or girl may be employed in or about any mine except in clerical work. No person under 18 may have charge of any hoisting machinery and in passenger-hoisting machinery minimum age is 20 years, with at least one month's experience.