Province	Basic Limitation Period	Ultimate Limitation Period	COA for Strict Liability Available	Negligence Standard	Independent Cause of Action for Spoliation*	Punitive Damages
Alberta	2 Years	10 Years	No	Contributory	No	Yes
British Columbia	2 Years	15 Years ¹ or 30 Years ²	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Manitoba	6 Years	30 Years	No	Contributory	No	Yes
New Brunswick	6 Years ³ or 2 Years ⁴	15 Years⁵	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Newfoundland and Labrador	2 Years	10 Years	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Northwest Territories	6 Years	N/A	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Nova Scotia	6 Years	N/A	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Nunavut	6 Years	N/A	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Ontario	2 Years	15 Years	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Prince Edward Island	6 Years	N/A	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Québec	3 Years	N/A	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Saskatchewan	2 Years	15 Years	No	Contributory	No	Yes
Yukon	6 Years	N/A	No	Contributory	No	Yes

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* Spoliation

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