The Primary Jurisdiction Policy is intended to streamline the reporting for out-of-province members. The primary jurisdiction for Canadian members is defined as the member’s principal place of practice and residence in Canada. For members residing/practicing outside Canada, the primary jurisdiction would be the jurisdiction in Canada in which the member first obtained registration. Out-of-Province members must affirm their Primary Jurisdiction each reporting period prior to the reporting deadline. This can be done by logging into our website and accessing the online PD reporting tool from the Professional Development (PD) menu.

A member who does not have Alberta as their Primary Jurisdiction must fulfill the following requirements:

- Report all learning activities to their primary jurisdiction
- Comply with all the PD requirements of their primary jurisdiction
- Complete the AAA online primary jurisdiction declaration prior to the reporting deadline
- Complete all AAA mandatory courses in accordance with the AAA deadlines.

Following the close of the PD reporting period the AAA will confirm the member’s compliance directly with the primary jurisdiction. Non-compliance with the primary jurisdiction will mean that the member is non-compliant with the AAA and will be subject to the $750.00 arrears fee and Notice of Intent to cancel registration, in accordance with Section 27 of the Architects Act. Further, members who fail to affirm their Primary Jurisdiction via the AAA online reporting system prior to the reporting deadline will be deemed non-compliant.