

IRCC sign in

<u>Canada.ca</u> ➤ <u>Immigration and citizenship</u> ➤ <u>Biometrics</u>

Biometrics

Who needs to give their biometrics

When to give your biometrics

How to give your biometrics

Where to give your biometrics

What happens after you give your biometrics

Where to give your fingerprints and photo

You need to **make an appointment** to give your biometrics.

- Appointments are **free to book**.
- Book your appointment as soon as you receive your biometric instruction letter (BIL) to avoid delays.
 - You have 30 days from the time you get your BIL to give your biometrics.
 - Read the **Important information** section of your BIL for more information.
- ► If you can't give your biometrics within 30 days of receiving your BIL

* Tell us where you plan to give your biometrics (required)

outside Canada, except the US

in the US

in Canada

at a border crossing when you want to enter Canada

Giving your biometrics outside Canada (except the US)

You can give your biometrics at a **visa application centre (VAC)** by making an appointment.

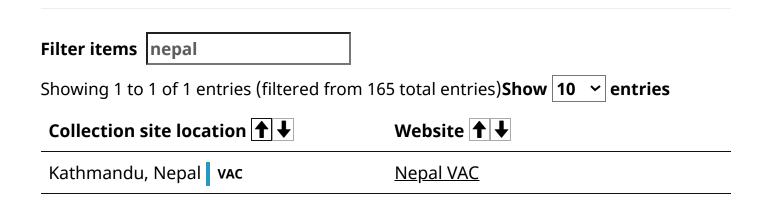
- Biometrics appointments are **free**.
- Don't pay anyone for an appointment.

Before you go, make sure to visit the VAC's website to find out what services are available. All VACs have biometric collection services.



If there's no VAC in the country or territory you're applying from, you can go to any other VAC location.

Biometrics collection sites



Date modified:

2025-07-17