

CANADIAN TEMPORARY RESIDENT VISA

INFORMATION ON ISSUANCE

To visit Canada, you must:

- have a valid travel document, such as a passport;
- be in good health;
- satisfy an immigration officer that you have ties, such as a job, home and family, that will take you back to your country of origin;
- satisfy an immigration officer that you will leave Canada at the end of your visit; and
- have enough money for your stay. The amount of money you will need can vary with the
 circumstances of the visit, how long you will stay and whether you will stay in a hotel or
 with friends or relatives. For more information, ask the Canadian visa office in your country
 or region.

You may also need:

- a Temporary Resident Visa, depending on your citizenship (see attached lists)
- a medical examination; and/or
- a letter of invitation from someone who lives in Canada.

HOW DO I APPLY?

It is no longer possible to apply for visas in-person.

Online applications for visitor's visas are now available! You will need access to a document scanner to upload your travel documents and a credit card to pay the visa fee. (Please note: successful submission of an online application does not guarantee issuance of the visa.)

All other applicants must apply by mail.

For the most current information about how to apply for a Temporary Resident Visa, visit the Citizenship and Immigration Canada website:

http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/index.asp

Note: The Canadian Consulate General does not respond to status inquiries by telephone.

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Citizens of the following countries and territories require a visa to VISIT or TRANSIT Canada:

Afghanistan Guyana Palau

Albania Haiti Palestinian Authority

Algeria Honduras Panama Angola India Paraguay Argentina Indonesia Peru Armenia **Philippines** Iran

Azerbaijan Iraq Poland (non-biometric passports only)

Israel (only Israeli citizens holding Bahrain Oatar valid Israeli "Travel Document Bangladesh Romania Belarus in lieu of National Passport") Russia **Belize Ivory Coast** Rwanda

Benin Jamaica Sao Tomé e Principe Jordan Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of Bhutan

Bolivia Kazakhstan Senegal Bosnia-Herzegovina Kenya Serbia Kiribati Botswana Seychelles Korea, North Sierra Leone Brazil Bulgaria Kosovo Somalia Burkina Faso Kuwait South Africa Burundi Kyrgyzstan South Sudan Cambodia Laos Sri Lanka Cameroon, Republic of Lebanon St. Lucia

St. Vincent and the Grenadines Cape Verde Lesotho

Central African Republic Liberia Sudan Chad Libya Surinam Chile Lithuania (non-biometric passports Swaziland China, People's Republic of only) Syria

Macao S.A.R. Colombia Taiwan (except holders of the ordinary

Comoros Macedonia

passport issued by the Congo, Democratic Madagascar Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Congo, Republic of Malawi Taiwan that includes personal Costa Rica, Republic of Malavsia identification number)

Maldives Islands **Tajikistan** Cuba

Czech Republic Mali Tanzania Djibouti Marshall Islands Thailand Dominica Mauritania Togo Dominican Republic Mauritius Tonga

East Timor Trinidad and Tobago Mexico

Ecuador Micronesia, Fed. States Tunisia Egypt Moldova Turkey Turkmenistan El Salvador Mongolia Tuvalu **Equatorial Guinea** Montenegro Uganda Eritrea Morocco Ukraine Ethiopia Mozambique

Fiji Myanmar (Burma) **United Arab Emirates**

Gabon Namibia Uruguay Gambia Nauru Uzbekistan Georgia Nepal Vanuatu Ghana Nicaragua Venezuela Grenada Niger Vietnam Guatemala Nigeria Yemen Oman Guinea Zambia Guinea-Bissau Zimbabwe Pakistan

VISA EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

The following citizens <u>do not</u> require a visa to VISIT or TRANSIT Canada:

1.

Andora Hungary Papua New Guinea

Antigua and Barbuda Iceland Poland (holders of biometric

Australia Ireland passports)

Austria Israel (National Passport holders only) Portugal Bahamas Italy Samoa

BarbadosJapanSt. Kitts and NevisBelgiumKorea, Republic ofSan MarinoBruneiLatvia, Republic. ofSingaporeCroatiaLiechtensteinSlovakiaCyprusLithuania (holders of bio-metric passports)Slovenia

Denmark Luxembourg Solomon Islands

EstoniaMaltaSpainFinlandMonacoSwedenFranceNetherlandsSwitzerlandGermanyNew ZealandUnited States

Greece Norway

- 2. Persons lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence who are in possession of their alien registration card (green card) or can provide other evidence of permanent residence.
- 3. British citizens and British Overseas Citizens who are re-admissible to the United Kingdom.
- 4. Citizens of British dependent territories who derive their citizenship through birth, descent, registration or naturalization in one of the British dependent territories:

Anguilla Falkland Islands St. Helena

Bermuda Gibraltar the Turks and Caicos Islands

British Virgin Islands Montserrat Cayman Islands Pitcairn

- 5. Persons holding a British National (Overseas) Passport issued by the Government of the United Kingdom to persons born, naturalized, or registered in Hong Kong.
- 6. British subjects who hold a passport issued by the United Kingdom and who have the "right of abode" there.
- 7. Persons holding a valid and subsisting Special Administrative Region passport issued by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
- 8. Persons holding passports or travel documents issued by the Holy See.
- 9. Persons holding an ordinary passport issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Taiwan that includes their personal identification number.