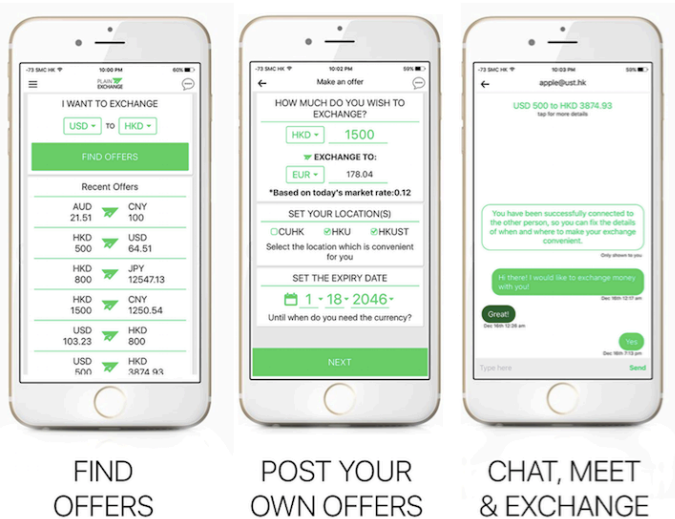
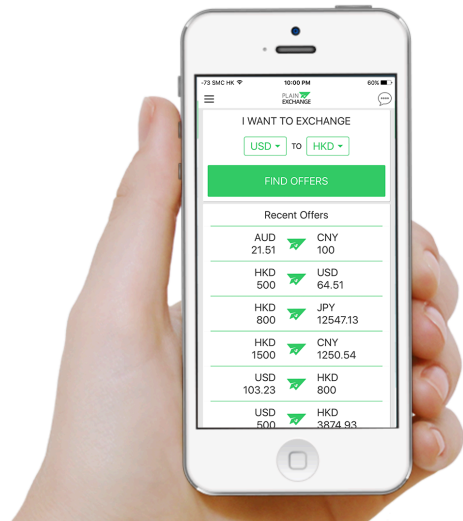


CURRENCY GUIDE



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Canadian Dollar (CAD)

Everything that you need to check if the currency you are getting is real.

CANADIAN DOLLAR (CAD)

Notes in circulation: \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100

Coins in circulation: \$1, \$2, 1¢, 5¢, 10¢, 25¢, 50¢

1. Use these links to compare the currency you have with the images of the authentic CAD notes and the placement of all the security features.

Interactive design and security features display of all the Polymer notes

<http://www.bankofcanada.ca/banknotes/bank-note-series/polymer/securityfeatures/>

Graphical display of the design and security features of the Canadian Journey Series notes

<http://www.bankofcanada.ca/banknotes/bank-noteseries/canadian-journey/>

Counterfeit prevention guidelines:

<http://www.bankofcanada.ca/banknotes/counterfeit-prevention/>

2. What are the security features of the authentic Canadian Dollar notes?

POLYMER SERIES (2011-2013)

Raised ink

Feel the raised ink.

Large window

Look through the transparent window containing a metallic portrait and building.

CANADIAN DOLLAR (CAD)

Metallic portrait

Look at the metallic portrait, it matches the large portrait. Tilt to see it change colour. Flip to see it on the other side.

Metallic symbols

Look at the metallic building. Tilt to see it change colour. Flip to see it on the other side.

Small numbers

Look for numbers that match the note's value. Some appear in reverse.

Transparent leaves

Look at the word "Canada." It feels slightly raised.

Maple leaf border

Look for maple leaves that border and cross into the large window.

Frosted maple leaf

Look at the frosted maple leaf window to see its transparent outline.

Hidden numbers

Look for hidden numbers through the frosted maple leaf window.

CANADIAN JOURNEY SERIES (2001-2006)

Metallic stripe

Tilt the note. The numbers and maple leaves change colour.

Ghost image

Hold the note up to the light and look through it. A small, ghost-like image of the portrait appears. It is visible from both sides of the note.

CANADIAN DOLLAR (CAD)

Dashes

Hold the note up to the light and look through it. The dashes form a solid line. It is visible from both sides of the note. Tilt the note. The dashes shift from gold to green. Small characters (e.g., CAN20) match the note's value.

Puzzle number

Hold the note up to the light and look through it. Irregular marks on the front and back of the note form a complete number. It is visible from both sides of the note.

Raised ink

Feel the raised ink on the shoulders of the portrait, the large number, and the words "Bank of Canada • Banque du Canada."

UV feature

Look at the note under UV (ultraviolet) light. Check that the text BANK OF CANADA – BANQUE DU CANADA and a number matching the note's value glow in interlocking red and yellow. Red and yellow fibres are scattered on both sides of the note.

3. Here are some general references where you can find information about all currencies, their security features and images of their design, in case you would like to find information which is not covered by this guide:

Banknote News: breaking news about international paper & polymer money - <http://www.banknotenews.com/>

Currency Guide: counterfeit money detection know-how - <http://currencyguide.eu>

CANADIAN DOLLAR (CAD)

*4. What to do if you come across counterfeit currency?**

1. **Do not accept the currency.** Make sure you explore our guide before the exchange and remember the telltale signs of authentic currency.
2. If you suspect that the money is counterfeit, after the exchange, **do not use it to make purchases or pass it onto another person.** You would be perpetrating a serious crime.
3. **Note down the details** and all the information that you can recall about the person who gave you the money, the date and time of the event and the amount of currency.
4. **Report** to the local police, monetary authority or a bank (see contact details below).
5. **Forward these details with the username of the person, date, place of exchange and the amount exchanged to our community manager at sandra@plainexchange.xyz** so that we can identify the perpetrator.

Local police force headquarters

<http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/detach/en>

* Please be aware that it is your responsibility to make sure that the money you are offering and accepting is authentic. It is recommended that you read this guide and look at the pictures of authentic notes before the exchange happens. Plain Exchange is unable to exclude the possibility of counterfeit, however we will take every measure to support you and assist you in identification of the user, who offered fake currency, and in the reporting process.