



## DECLARATION OF A COMMON-LAW UNION

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_____ (inmate)	and	_____ (spouse)
I, _____ (inmate's name)	, of	_____ (institution)
hereby declare that I am _____ years of age and that I have established a common-law union with (age)		
as defined by the Correctional Service of Canada.		
_____ (spouse's name)		
I, _____ (spouse's name)	, of	_____ (address)
hereby declare that I am at least eighteen years of age and that I have established a common-law union with		
in accordance with the criteria listed below.		
_____ (inmate's name)		
► _____ Inmate's signature		_____ Date (YYYY-MM-DD)
► _____ Spouse's signature	►	_____ Signature of witness

**COMMON-LAW PARTNER CRITERIA**

Common-law partner means a person who, at the time of the inmate's incarceration, had been cohabitating with the inmate in a conjugal relationship for at least one year.

The burden of proving that the above condition existed for one year prior to the inmate's incarceration rest with the inmates and/or their visitors.

Inmates who declare a common-law union relationship and who wish to participate in a family visit with their common-law spouse must complete this form.

Married inmates who have a recognized common-law relationship with another spouse shall be allowed to participate in a private family visit with the common-law spouse, if such a visit is recommended by the Case Management Team and approved by the Institutional Head.

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