



**Comparison table of categories that are available under the International Mobility Program for
Quebec Selection Certificate (CSQ) holders**

	CSQ holders currently outside Quebec	Specific CSQ holders currently in Quebec	Bridging open work permits for certain economic class permanent residence applicants
PDIs	<u>Quebec Selection Certificate (CSQ) holders currently outside Quebec [R205(a) – A76] – International Mobility Program</u>	<u>Specific Quebec Selection Certificate (CSQ) holders currently in Quebec [R205(a) – A75] – International Mobility Program</u>	<u>Bridging open work permits for certain economic class permanent residence applicants [R205(a) - A75] – International Mobility Program</u>
Labour market impact assessment (LMIA) exemption code	A76	A75	A75
Type of work permit	Open work permit (restricted to the province)	Quebec employer-specific work permit	Open work permit (restricted to the province)
Eligibility criteria	See <u>Eligibility requirements</u>	See <u>Eligibility requirements</u>	See <u>General eligibility</u> and <u>Specific eligibility – Quebec skilled workers</u>

Place of application	<p>Must be outside of Quebec at the time of submission of their open work permit application. They must live outside Canada or in Canada, but outside Quebec.</p>	<p>Must reside in Quebec at the time of submission of their work permit application.</p>	<p>Must reside in Quebec or be destined for Quebec at the time of submission of their open work permit application.</p>
Duration of work	<p>36 months from the date of issue or until the applicant’s passport expires, whichever comes first.</p> <p>Extensions</p>	<p>Based on the offer of employment (maximum of 24 months)</p> <p>Extensions</p>	<p>24 months from the date of issue</p> <p>Extensions, if needed, should be issued for 12 months.</p> <p>However, on a case-by-case basis, officers may use their discretion, depending on current processing times for Quebec skilled workers class (QSWC) permanent residence applications.</p>
Work permit issuance in the Global Case Management System (GCMS)	<p>Work permit issuance in the Global Case Management System (GCMS)</p> <p> Include “CSQ holders – A76” in the User Remarks.</p>	<p>Work permit issuance in the Global Case Management System (GCMS)</p>	<p>Work permit issuance in the Global Case Management System (GCMS)</p> <p> Include “APR Pending” in the User Remarks.</p>

<p>Should they have submitted an application for permanent residence (APR) to IRCC prior to submitting the work permit application?</p>	<p>No. They are eligible to apply for a work permit before or after they submit their APR to IRCC.</p>	<p>No. They are eligible to apply for a work permit before or after they submit their APR to IRCC.</p>	<p>Yes. They must have submitted an APR as a principal applicant under the QSWC, and the APR under the QSWC must have passed the section 10 of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations completeness check.</p>
<p>CSQ</p>	<p>They must have a CSQ at the time of submission of their work permit application under this exemption and be in one of the following situations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the CSQ is valid, if they have not yet submitted their permanent residence application 2. they have submitted their APR, for which processing is still ongoing, before the expiry date of the CSQ; the work permit may be issued under this LMIA exemption, even if the CSQ is expired <p>CSQs are valid for a 24-month period or until IRCC renders a decision on the permanent residence application.</p> <p>Since August 2, 2018, the ministère de l'Immigration, de la Francisation et de l'Intégration no longer renews CSQs, as they are issued for 24 months and are valid for the duration of the permanent residence application, even if the 24-month period has passed.</p>		<p>The CSQ must have been valid when the APR was submitted.</p>

Are they subject to a cap?	Yes. See Ministerial Instructions regarding the processing of applications under the Quebec International Mobility Program Plus issued on May 24, 2022.	No	No
Can they apply upon entry?	No (as per the ministerial instructions)	No	No
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open work permit holder fee: \$100 • Processing fee: \$155 • Biometric fee, if applicable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work permit processing fee: \$155 • Employer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employer compliance fee: \$230 • Biometric fee, if applicable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open work permit holder fee: \$100 • Work permit processing fee: \$155 • Biometric fee, if applicable
Spouses or common-law partners	The spouse or common-law partner is eligible for an open work permit under LMIA exemption code C41, irrespective of the skill level of the principal QSWC applicant's occupation. See Spouses or common-law partners of Quebec selection certificate (CSQ) holders .		The spouse or common-law partner is eligible for an open work permit (C41) for the duration of the bridging open work permit held by the principal QSWC applicant, irrespective of the skill level of the principal QSWC applicant's occupation. See Spouses or common-law partners

		of bridging open work permit (BOWP) holders.
Dependent children	Dependent children must obtain an LMIA or have an LMIA exemption based on their specific situation to apply for a work permit.	
Client's instructions	See International Mobility Program Plus: Open work permits for Quebec Selection Certificate holders outside Quebec.	There are no specific instructions. In-Canada applicants must apply online. See Exceptions – Use of other means.