



IMMIGRATION

Canada

Family Class

**Sponsorship of
parents, grandparents,
adopted children and
other relatives**

**Visa Office Specific
Instructions
Havana**



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Appendix A

Checklist

Assemble all your documents as listed. Check (☑) each applicable item on the checklist and attach the checklist to your documents (a paper clip will do). Send **originals** of all documents, unless otherwise instructed. If your documents are not in English or French, send a notarized (certified) translation with a copy of the originals.

<p>1. FORMS Ensure that all questions have been answered and forms are signed:</p> <p>Additional Family Information (IMM 5406) - You and each of your family members 18 years of age or over must complete their own copy of this form. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Use of a Representative (IMM 5476) - If you want us to deal with a representative on your behalf, be sure you have completed and signed the form. <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>2. IDENTITY AND CIVIL STATUS DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Original birth, marriage, final divorce, annulment or separation certificates for yourself and your spouse or common-law partner; death certificate for your former spouse, if applicable; “solteria”, if single. Photocopy of <i>Citizenship Certificate</i>, <i>Permanent Resident Card</i> or <i>Immigrant Visa</i> for any dependents who are Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada.</p>
<p>3. CHILDREN'S INFORMATION <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Original children’s birth certificates (which name their parents); adoption papers for adopted dependent children; proof of custody for children under the age of 18 and proof that the children may be removed from the jurisdiction of the court; if the children will not accompany you to Canada, proof that you have fulfilled any obligation stated in custody agreements. Submit a notarized sworn declaration from the other parent authorizing the dependant to travel to Canada as a permanent resident. This declaration must be submitted with a document of identity of the father/mother who signed the declaration and whose signature appears on the document of identity.</p> <p>If your child's age was locked in before August 1, 2014, submit:</p> <p>Proof of continuous full-time studies of all dependent children aged 22 or over: complete school records/transcripts since attaining age 22, letters from the school(s) indicating the number of hours of classes attended per day, and the number of days attended per week, and proof of substantial financial support by parents.</p>
<p>4. TRAVEL DOCUMENTS AND PASSPORTS <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Photocopy of passports or travel documents for you, your spouse or common-law partner, and dependent children. Include only copies of pages showing the passport number, date of issue and expiration, your photo, name, date and place of birth. If you reside in a country different from your nationality, include a copy of your visa for the country in which you currently reside. All prospective immigrants must hold a valid regular or private passport at the time of landing. Diplomatic, official, service or public affairs passports are not valid for immigration in Canada.</p>
<p>5. PROOF OF RELATIONSHIP IN CANADA <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Proof of relationship to your sponsor in Canada, such as birth, adoption and marriage certificates and proof of that person’s status in Canada: photocopy of the Record of Landing (IMM 1000) or of the Permanent Resident Card or proof of Canadian citizenship such as photocopy of pages of a Canadian passport or Canadian Citizenship card.</p>

6.	POLICE CERTIFICATES AND CLEARANCES Police certificates or clearances (“Antecedentes Penales”) from each country in which you and everyone in your family, aged 18 years or over, have resided six months or more since reaching 18 years of age. You must attach the original police document(s). Please consult our website at: www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/security/police-cert/index.asp for specific and up-to-date information on how to obtain police certificates from any country.	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	ENGAGEMENT The original of the <i>Engagement</i> , if your intention is to reside in the province of Québec.	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.	PHOTO REQUIREMENTS Supply two (2) recent photos for each member of your family and yourself. Follow the instructions in your guide (see Photos in section on competing the Application for Permanent Residence in Canada) and in Appendix B, Photo Specifications .	<input type="checkbox"/>

Mailing your application

Place all your documents and this checklist in a sealed envelope and mail them to:

Sponsorship: (Type of sponsorship)
Case Processing Centre – Sydney
P.O. Box 9500
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 0H5
Canada

If you're sending the application using a courier service instead of by mail, use the following address:

Sponsorship: (Type of sponsorship)
Case Processing Centre - Sydney
49 Dorchester Street
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 5Z2
Canada

Appendix B

Photo Specifications

Notes to the applicant

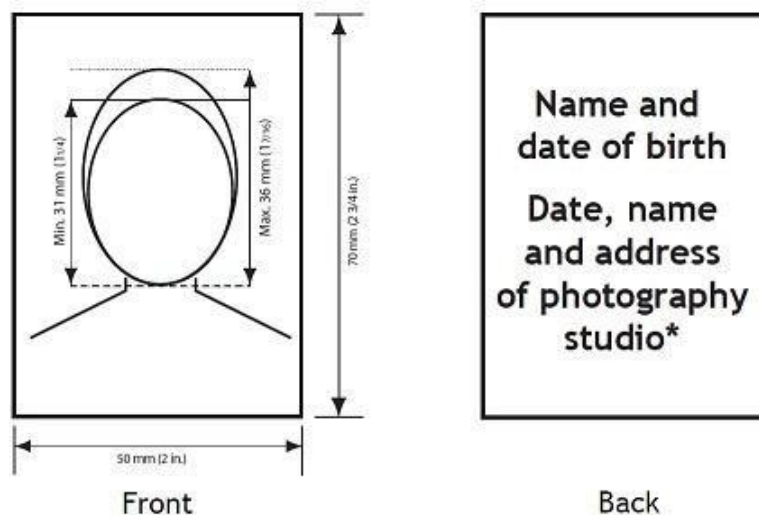
TAKE THIS WITH YOU TO THE PHOTOGRAPHER

- Make sure that you provide the correct number of photos specified in this guide.
- You must provide identical and unaltered photographs.
- Photographs may be in colour or in black and white.
- Photographs must be original and not altered in any way or taken from an existing photograph.
- Photographs must reflect your current appearance (taken within the past six (6) months).

Notes to the photographer

The photos must be:

- taken by a commercial photographer;
- 50 mm x 70 mm (2 inches wide x 2 3/4 inches long) and sized so the height of the face measures between 31 mm and 36 mm (1 1/4 inches and 1 7/16 inches) from chin to crown of head (natural top of head);
- clear, sharp and in focus;
- taken with a neutral facial expression (**eyes open and clearly visible, mouth closed, no smiling**);
- taken with uniform lighting and **not show** shadows, glare or flash reflections;
- taken straight on, with face and shoulders centered and squared to the camera (i.e. the photographs must show the full front view of the person's head and shoulders, showing the full face centered in the middle of the photograph);
- taken in front of a plain white background with a clear difference between the person's face and the background. Photographs must reflect and represent natural skin tones.



Not actual size. Refer to measurements above.

The back of one (1) photograph must:

- bear the name and date of birth of the subject, as well as the name and complete address of the photography studio;
- bear the date the photograph was taken;
- The photographer may use a stamp or handwrite this information. Stick-on labels are unacceptable.

Appendix C

Medical Instructions

Everyone included in your application, whether accompanying you to Canada or not, must undergo a medical examination with a physician on the list of designated doctors. If you are a divorced or separated parent, a minor child of whom you have joint or sole custody is considered your dependent child, even if they usually live with the other parent and is not accompanying you to Canada.

Instructions for this examination will be provided **after** your application has been assessed by a Canadian visa officer.

After you receive the medical forms, you and your family members must undergo the necessary medical examinations with one of the doctors listed, **unless** you and/or your family members live in a country not included on this list.

You will be responsible for the costs of the medical examination for all your family members.

At the time of medical examination, you and all family members will be required to present individual passports as evidence of identity. **If each of your family members does not already have an individual passport, you should apply to obtain them now.**

Applicants may, at any time, request that medical instructions be issued, and may undergo an immigration medical examination, **at their own risk**. It is important to note, however, that undergoing an immigration medical examination **does not guarantee** that a permanent resident visa will be issued.

The permanent resident visa has the same validity period as the medical results, that is, 12 months from the date of the first examination or test.