

- accessing sources of information about local laws, regulations and customs;
- replacing passports; and
- dealing with local authorities if you are arrested.

Canadian missions offer 24-hour emergency assistance, using a telephone answering system after office hours. You can also contact the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in Ottawa at **(613) 996-8885** (collect calls accepted).

Living in China

Foreigner Residence Certificates

Persons who have entered China on a "Z" or "X" visa must apply for a Foreigner Residence Certificate at the Public Security Bureau within 30 days of arrival. The authorities may issue a provisional certificate in some cases. Temporary residence cards are issued to those who will be staying in China for less

than one year. A residence certificate is not required for foreigners holding other types of visas, including the "F" and the "L" visas. Foreigners aged 16 or older must carry their residence certificates or passports at all times for possible examination by authorities.

Foreigner Residence Certificates are issued for periods of one to five years, and the cards must be

PROTOCOL TIPS

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Chinese business people are relatively formal; suits for men and suits or dresses for women are conventional for business meetings. When in doubt about appropriate clothing, it is always best to err on the conservative side and to behave with the same good manners as you would in Canada.