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Your Passport

Your passport is the only evidence of your Canadian citizenship and identity that is accepted in all countries. You and all family members should have a valid passport if you plan to travel outside Canada. Passport applications are available at www.pptc.gc.ca (the Passport Canada Web site), Passport Canada offices, postal outlets in Canada and Canadian government offices abroad.

A Passport for Everyone

Canadian children must have their own passport. The practice of

adding a child's name to a parent's passport is no longer permitted.

Before you leave on your trip, **be sure to complete the "In case of accident or death notify" section** (page 4) in your passport. This information will help us quickly notify your family or friends if an emergency arises.

Processing Time

The processing period for in-person applications in Canada is 10 working days. The processing of mail-in applications takes a minimum of 20 working days. So, plan to apply well before departure.

REGISTER WITH US



If you are travelling or living abroad, you can register with Foreign Affairs Canada. Registration will enable us to reach you and provide assistance in case of an emergency at home or abroad.

We encourage you to register if:

- You will be away from Canada for at least three months.
- You will be visiting a country, or region of a country, that is covered by an official Travel Warning.
- You are travelling to a country that has security concerns or does not have a Government of Canada office.

You can register on-line at the "Registration of Canadians Abroad" section of our Web site (www.voyage.gc.ca) or through the responsible Government of Canada office abroad (see page 33).

Registration is voluntary, and the information you provide is protected and used in accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act. Under the Privacy Act, personal information may be disclosed under certain circumstances, including situations where disclosure would clearly benefit the client, where the public interest in disclosure clearly outweighs any invasion of privacy or pursuant to a court order.

In countries where Canada has no direct representation, there may be arrangements in place for you to register with another country's embassy or consulate. For example, Canada has such an arrangement with *Australia*. Consult the *Country Travel Reports* on our Web site for country-specific information.