

If a passport is due to expire within six months of your scheduled return to Canada, check with the destination country's embassy or consulate in Canada for rules and restrictions regarding passport validity. Some countries will not let you enter if your passport is due to expire within six months.

If you are required to send away your passport to obtain a visa, we suggest that you use a secure courier service and enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

IF YOUR PASSPORT IS LOST, STOLEN, OR DAMAGED

Report the loss or theft immediately to the local police (either in Canada or abroad) and to Passport Canada or the nearest Canadian government office abroad.

Before a new passport can be issued, you must complete an application form, present documentary evidence of your Canadian citizenship (e.g., a birth or citizenship certificate), submit new photographs, pay the required fee, and complete a *Statutory Declaration Concerning a Lost, Stolen, Damaged, Destroyed or Inaccessible Canadian Passport or Travel Document* form (PPTC 203).

