



- Provide assistance in cases of missing persons or the abduction of a child to another country (see our publication *International Child Abductions: A Manual for Parents*).

WHEN LEGAL ISSUES ARISE

- Provide you with a list of local lawyers.
- Provide you with sources of information about local laws and regulations.
- Seek to ensure you are treated fairly under a country's laws if you are arrested or detained (see our publication *A Guide for Canadians Imprisoned Abroad*).
- Notarize documents (\$).

WHEN OTHER ISSUES ARISE

- Replace a lost, stolen, damaged, or expired passport (\$).
- Issue a Statement in Lieu of Certification of Non-impediment to Marriage Abroad (\$).
- Provide an emergency loan, subject to strict rules and only as a last resort (\$).
- Transfer funds (\$).
- Contact relatives or friends and ask them to send you money or airline tickets.
- Contact next of kin, with your authorization, if you have had an accident or are detained by police.

- Accept citizenship applications.
- Provide advice about burying a Canadian abroad or assist in repatriating the remains to Canada.
- Contact next of kin in case of death.
- Request that local authorities investigate suspicious circumstances in the event of an alleged or apparent crime or death.

CONSULAR OFFICIALS DO NOT PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING SERVICES

WHEN LEGAL ISSUES ARISE

- Intervene in private legal matters.
- Provide legal advice.
- Obtain a criminal record check on your behalf.
- Post bail or pay fines or legal fees.
- Get you out of prison.
- Take possession of an abducted child.
- Enforce a Canadian custody agreement overseas or compel a country to decide a custody case.

- Investigate a crime or death.
- Ask local authorities to give preferential treatment to Canadians.

WHEN OTHER ISSUES ARISE

- Make travel arrangements.
- Compensate or reimburse you for delayed or cancelled travel.
- Pay your hotel, medical, travel, or other expenses.
- Store personal effects or search for lost items.
- Acquire local permits or licences on your behalf, including foreign visas or work permits.
- Assist with job hunting.

