

work for details and processing fees. You should apply months in advance of your departure date, as obtaining a visa can be a time-consuming process. You can also contact DFAIT's Consular Affairs Bureau at 1-800-267-6788 (in Canada) or (613) 944-6788 for more information.

Note that your work visa may have special provisions concerning departure and reentry. If you plan to travel while working overseas, inquire about the process of obtaining a multiple-entry visa to avoid future difficulties.

An increasing number of countries are including AIDS testing as an entry requirement, particularly for long-term residents and students. Again, contact the embassy or consulate of the country concerned for the latest information.

Work Permit

A work permit is usually required if you plan to work in a foreign country. You should obtain it before you leave Canada. You can usually do this at the same time as you get your visa. Note that a work permit could be included in your visa or it could be a separate document from your visa. Again, contact the embassy or consulate

of the country you are going to for details.

Alien Registration Card

When you arrive in your host country, you may also need to obtain an Alien Registration Card (green card). You will be required to carry it at all times for identification purposes and as proof of your status.

International Driver's Licence

Contact your local Canadian Automobile Association (CAA) to find out the procedures for obtaining an international driver's licence. Keep in mind, however, that some countries require foreigners to acquire a local licence after a certain period. Obtain that information before leaving Canada or make inquiries at the time of your arrival. In addition, it is important that you educate yourself on the traffic rules and procedures of your host country before you get behind the wheel. Always carry your car insurance policy with you when driving in case of an accident.

Dual Citizenship

Having dual citizenship does not necessarily mean you can work in the other country of which you are