Take Part in Canadian Citizenship

What can you do with your Canadian citizenship?

- Be active in your community by participating in local cultural and community events.
- Attend someone else's citizenship ceremony that's open to the public to help them celebrate.
- Host a citizenship ceremony to support someone you know in this formalized rite of passage that pinpoints the moment when someone enters the Canadian family.
- Organize a citizenship reaffirmation ceremony to repeat the oath of citizenship and express an ongoing commitment to Canada.
- Participate in Canada Day events each year.
- Participate in annual Citizenship Week activities held each May.
- Vote and participate in Canada's democracy.
- Help your neighbours.
- Protect the environment.
- Contribute to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.
- Volunteer in your community.
- Welcome new Canadians in your community.

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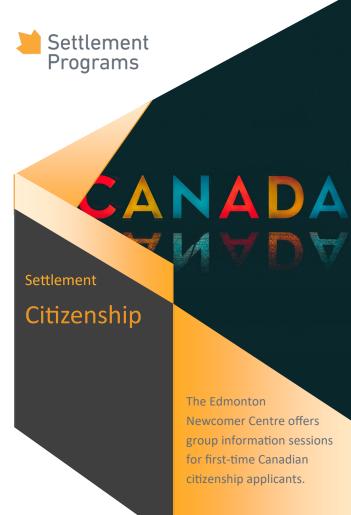


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Find out more on Government of Canada's website:

https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/canadian-citizenship/take-part-citizenship.html





Citizenship Eligibility

To apply for Canadian citizenship, you:

- Must be a permanent resident (landed immigrant) of Canada.
- 2. Must have been physically present in Canada for at least 3 out of the last 5 years or 1,095 days immediately before you apply.
- 3. Need to have filed personal income taxes for at least 3 years within the 5-year period.
- 4. Must demonstrate adequate knowledge of English or French (if you are between 18 and 54 years old when you apply.)
- 5. Can't have any unfulfilled conditions relating to your Permanent Resident (PR) status.
- 6. Can't be under a removal order (asked by Canadian officials to leave Canada.)
- 7. Can't be inadmissible or <u>prohibited on criminal or security grounds</u>.
- 8. Must pass a citizenship test on the day you sign your application.

Notes:

- No need for the proof of language and citizenship test for applicants who are 55 years of age or older.
- You don't automatically become a citizen when you marry a Canadian.
- There are additional or different requirements if you are applying for a minor (under age 18.)

Proof of Language

If you are 18 to 54 years of age, then here are the requirements to provide proof of language in English or French.

- Provide a copy of a Canadian Language
 Benchmark (CLB) or a Language Instruction
 for Newcomers to Canada (LINC) certificate
 with a score of 4 or higher in speaking
 and listening.
- 2. Provide a diploma, certificate or transcript of records if you finished high school or attended college or university.
- Provide an IELTS (International English Language Testing System) or CELPIP (Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program) test result with a score of 4 or higher in speaking and listening.





Citizenship Application Information Session

The Edmonton Newcomer Centre offers group information sessions for first-time Canadian citizenship applicants.

Sessions are held in-person on the second Wednesday of each month.

Register for a Citizenship Application Information Session:

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