



Electronic Travel Authorization

Description of application form fields

The guide below will help you understand the fields on the application form.



- Country of passport
- Passport number
- Family name (surname)
- Given name (include ALL)
- Nationality
- Date of birth
- Sex|Place of birth
- Date of passport issuance
- Date of passport expiry

First name and last name

Last name is also known as family name.

First name is also known as given name.

Enter ALL name(s) as they appear on your passport.

Amended name

If your passport includes an amendment to your name(s) in the observations section, enter your name(s) as it appears in that section.

Apostrophes

If your name has an apostrophe, enter it on the form. Example: D'Orsay, O'Neil.

Order of names

Refer to the machine-readable zone on your passport (the portion below your photo and biographic information, sometimes called a "barcode") to confirm in what order you should enter your names on the application.

If your name is shortened or cut off in this portion of your passport, but the full name is spelled out in the top portion of your passport, enter your name as it appears in the top portion. However, always rely on the bottom portion to determine the order of your name.

Filial relationships

If your passport includes "son of" or "daughter of," or "bin" or "bint" and your father's name in the top or bottom portions of your passport, **do not enter this text or your father's name in either of the name fields** of the application form.

For example, if your passport indicates Ahmad bin Husain bin Muhammad in one field, please enter the Family Name as Husain and the Given Name as Ahmad.

If your passport indicates a filial relationship with "ibn," "ben" or "ould wuld," and your father's name in the upper or lower portions of the page, please do not enter this or your father's name in either name field when you are completing the application form.

For example, if your passport indicates Husain Ould Ahmad Ould Muhammad in one field, please enter the Family Name as Ahmad and the Given Name as Husain.

Hyphens

If your name has a hyphen, enter it on the form. Example: Mary-Anne, Smith-Hansen.

Only one name on passport

If you have only one name or if your name appears in only one line on your passport, enter the entire name in the last name field and **check the box under the first name field that says: “By checking this box, I affirm that there is no first name indicated on the applicant’s passport”**.

Use of mother’s, father’s or ancestor’s name

If the name on your passport includes the name of your mother, father, grandfather or earlier male ancestor in the machine-readable zone on your passport (the portion below your photo and biographic information, sometimes called a “barcode”), enter that spelling of your name on the application form.

Spousal relationships

If your passport shows “épouse de”, “epse” or “ep.” (“spouse of”), “wife of” or “husband of” in the top or bottom portions of your passport, **do not enter** this or the name of your spouse in either the last name or first name fields of the application form.

Example: if your passport shows Smith EP. Paul Sajan in the family name field, and John William in the given name field, enter Smith in the last name field and John William in the first name field.

Titles, prefixes, degrees, decorations

If your passport shows a title, prefix, suffix, professional or academic qualification, decoration, honour, award, or hereditary status, **do not enter this on the application form**, unless it is in the machine-readable zone of your passport (the portion below your photo and biographic information, sometimes called a “barcode”).

Characters of non-Roman alphabets

Only characters from the Roman script/alphabet can be entered on the eTA application form. Example: Aa, Bb, Cc and French accents such as é, è, ë, ü.

Your country of nationality is responsible for making your names appears in Roman script on your passport.

Date of birth

Select your date of birth, as it appears on your passport.

If the date of birth is unknown and only the known information is included in your complete passport, select “unknown” from the list so that it matches exactly what is in your passport.

Country of birth

From the drop-down menu, select the name of the country shown in the Place of birth field on your passport.

City of birth	Enter the name of the city/town/village shown in the place of birth field on your passport. If there is no city/town/village on your passport, enter the name of the city/town/village where you were born.
Additional citizenships	From the drop-down menu, select other citizenships you may have. If you hold more than one additional citizenship, click the “add” button to enter the additional citizenships.
United States permanent resident number	Enter the A-number as it appears on your permanent resident card (Green card).  "A-number"
Taiwan personal identification number	If you are using a passport issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Taiwan, enter your Taiwan personal identification number as it appears on your passport.  Personal Identification number
Gender	From the drop-down menu, select your gender (male, female, unknown) as shown on your passport.
Marital status	Annulled marriage A declaration that a marriage is not valid. Common-law A person who has been living with another person in a conjugal relationship for at least one year. The term refers to opposite-sex and same-sex relationships. See the legal definition of common-law partner.

Divorced

Divorced means that a court has granted a divorce and that a marriage has ended. The two people are no longer married.

Legally separated

Separated means that two people are married but no longer living together, and they do not wish to live together again. They may be waiting for a divorce or have not yet decided to divorce.

Married

Married means that two people have had a ceremony that legally binds them to each other. This marriage must be recognized under the laws of the country where it was performed and under Canadian law.

Single

Never been married nor in a common-law relationship.

Widowed

Widowed means that a person's spouse has died and that person has not remarried or entered into a common-law relationship.

**Have you
previously
applied to enter
or remain in
Canada?**

Select yes if, in the past, you submitted an application to come to Canada, such as a study permit, work permit or visitor visa.

Unique Client Identifier, visa or permit number

If, in the past, you submitted an application to come to Canada such as a study permit or work permit, you will have a Unique Client Identifier (UCI).

Look for this number on letters you received from Citizenship and Immigration Canada or on the immigration document that was issued. Example: study permit, work permit, or visitor visa.

If you do not know what your UCI is, enter your immigration document number. Example: study permit, work permit, or visitor visa number.

**Funds available
for travel to
Canada**

From the list, select the option that best describes the amount of money (in Canadian dollars) that you expect to have with you on your first trip to Canada.

Passport number	Enter your passport number exactly as it appears on the biographic information page. Pay particular attention to the letter O and the number 0; and the letter I and the number 1.
Country of issue	Select the name of the country that issued your passport. Although not common, some countries issue passports to non-citizens. For example, a British passport can be issued to British nationals and British citizens. Your nationality, as indicated inside your passport, may actually differ from the country that issued your passport.
Issue date of passport	Select the date on which the passport was issued, as it appears in your passport.
Expiry date of passport	Select the date on which the passport expires, as it appears in your passport.
Occupation	From the drop-down menu, select the occupation type that best describes the industry in which you work. If you are a student, retired, a homemaker or unemployed, select the appropriate option from the list. If you are a high-ranking government or political official, select “Management occupations” from the list.
Job title	From the drop-down menu, select the job title that best describes the type of work you do. If you are a high-ranking government or political official, select “Legislators and senior management, including political officials” from the list.
Name of employer or school, as appropriate	Enter the name of your employer. If you are a student, enter the name of your school.
Country	From the drop-down menu, select the name of the country where your employer is located. If you are a student, select the country where your school is located.
City	Enter the name of the city/town where your employer is located. If you are a student, enter the city where your school is located.
From	Select the year you started to work or study for the employer, or school.

Language of preference	The Government of Canada respects the Official Languages Act and is committed to ensuring that our information and services are provided in both French and English. Please select your preferred language of communication with Citizenship and Immigration Canada.
E-mail address	Enter a valid e-mail address. It will be used to communicate with you about your application. You will receive an e-mail that confirms the receipt of your eTA application at the e-mail address you provide. You will also receive updates on the status of your eTA. Parents applying for minors may enter their own e-mail address if preferred.
Residential address	Enter the address where you live. Do not enter a post office box – your application will be refused. Apartment/Unit Enter the apartment, unit or suite number, if applicable. Street number Enter the civic number of the address. Do not enter apartment, unit or suite numbers in this field. Address line 1 Enter the name of the street, along with the standard identifier (such as “Street,” “Road,” “Avenue,” “Boulevard”). For example, “Maple Avenue” is acceptable, but an abbreviation such as “Maple Ave.” is not. Address line 2 Enter additional street address information if necessary. Country Enter the name of the country where you live. City Enter the name of the city or town where you live. Province Enter the province, territory or state where you live.

	Postal code Enter the zip or postal code for the address, if applicable. District/region Select the district or region where you live, if applicable.
Have you ever been refused a visa or study or work permit, denied entry or ordered to leave Canada or any other country?	Select yes if you have ever been refused a visa or study or work permit from any country, including Canada, and/or if you have ever been asked to leave any country, including Canada. Please provide as many details as possible. Failure to include additional and sufficient details may result in slower processing.
Have you ever committed, been arrested for, been charged with or convicted of any criminal offence in any country?	Select yes if you have ever committed, been charged with or convicted of a crime in any country. Please provide as many details as possible. Failure to include additional and sufficient details may result in slower processing.
Have you or a family member ever had or been in close contact with a person with tuberculosis?	Select yes if you or a family member have ever had or been in close contact with a person with the disease tuberculosis. Indicate the nature of the relationship, if applicable, and the approximate date on which you or a family member had or were in close contact with a person with tuberculosis. Please provide as many details as possible. Failure to include additional and sufficient details may result in slower processing.
Do you have a health condition for which you are receiving regular and ongoing medical treatment?	Select yes if you are receiving regular, ongoing medical treatment for any mental or physical condition. Please provide as many details as possible. Failure to include additional and sufficient details may result in slower processing.

**Please briefly
indicate if there
are additional
details regarding
your trip to
Canada.**

If there are particular details about your trip to Canada, including an urgent need to travel, enter it in this field.