

Dual Canadian citizens: Make sure you fly to Canada with a valid Canadian passport



What travel document do I need to board a flight to Canada?

Canadian citizens, including dual citizens, need a Canadian passport to board their flight to Canada.

The **only reliable and universally accepted travel document** that prove that you are a Canadian citizen and have the right to enter Canada are:

- a valid Canadian passport;
- a Canadian temporary passport; or
- a Canadian emergency travel document.

As it can take time to get a Canadian passport, you should apply for one as soon as you can.

Why can't I continue to fly to Canada with my other passport?

Canada's entry requirements have changed. As of November 10, 2016, the Government of Canada is verifying that travellers flying to or transiting through Canada have the appropriate document(s) at the time of check-in.

Most non-United States visa-exempt foreign nationals need an electronic travel authorization (eTA). Canadian citizens, including dual Canadian citizens, are not eligible to apply for an eTA or a visa. Travelling with a valid Canadian passport proves you are a citizen.

What if I can't get a passport or emergency travel document in time for my flight to Canada? Do I have another option?

You may be eligible to apply for a special authorization up to ten days before your travel that, if approved, would allow you to board your

flight using your valid non-Canadian, visa-exempt passport. This short-term measure is open to dual citizens who have an imminent flight to Canada (leaving in less than ten days) and whose Canadian citizenship can be verified by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada. Most applications are processed shortly after receipt. This authorization, if granted, will be valid for only four days from the date of travel indicated in your application.

Visit Canada.ca/dual-cit-entry for more information.

How do I find out if my child born outside Canada needs a Canadian passport?

A child born outside Canada to either one parent who was born in Canada or one parent who was naturalized in Canada before the child's birth is probably a Canadian citizen and will need a Canadian passport. Visit www.cic.gc.ca/english/citizenship/rules and use the "Am I a Canadian Citizen?" tool to find out if your child or you may be Canadian and for instructions on how to apply for proof of Canadian citizenship.

How much does it cost to get a passport?

The fee you pay is based on what you are applying for and where you are applying from. For example, here are the passport fees for Canadians applying outside Canada and the U.S.

Passport type	CAN\$
5-year adult passport (age 16 or over)	190
10-year adult passport (age 16 or over)	260
Child passport (0-15 years of age)	100

Visit Canada.ca/passport for more information for dual Canadian citizens travelling to Canada.



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