

Border Crossing Identification Requirements

Identification Requirements for Canadian Residents:

- Birth Certificate (must be accompanied by government issued photo identification for everyone over 16 years old)
- Canadian Passport
- Certificate of Canadian Citizenship
- Indian Status Card
- Enhanced Driver's License
- Permanent Resident Card

If you live in Canada and are NOT a citizen and NOT a Permanent Resident, you MUST produce your Immigration documents to prove you have been given permission to live, work or study in Canada.

Are You a Minor Under Age 18?

Identification requirements for minors are the same as listed above. There may be other requirements if one or both legal guardians of the child are not present. School identification cards in conjunction with a birth certificate for minors under 16 years old are acceptable.

Identification Requirements for American Residents:

- American Birth Certificate (must be accompanied by government issued photo identification for everyone over 16 years old)
- American Passport
- Certificate of American Citizenship or Naturalization
- Indian Status Card
- American Permanent Resident Card

American citizens do not have the right to enter Canada. American citizens must provide proper identification as part of their application to enter Canada, but admissibility will be determined by an officer at the border.

Are You a Minor Under Age 18?

Identification requirements for minors are the same as listed above. There may be other requirements if one or both legal guardians of the child are not present. School identification cards in conjunction with a birth certificate for minors under 16 years old are acceptable.

Identification Requirements for Residents of Other Countries:

- Valid Passport
- Valid Visa if necessary

You may be denied entry to Canada if you are not in possession of a valid passport and, if applicable, visa. Additional documentation may be required to satisfy Canadian entry requirements

Need Additional Information?

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