



Canada Child Benefits Application

Complete this form to apply for all child benefit programs. The information you give on this form will be used for all programs, unless you indicate otherwise on a note attached to your application.

For information about our programs, see Pamphlet T4114, *Canada Child Benefits*, Pamphlet RC4210, *GST/HST Credit*, go to www.cra.gc.ca/benefits or call us at 1-800-387-1193.

How to apply?

You can apply for the Canada Child Tax Benefit (CCTB) by using the Apply for benefits online service on My Account at www.cra.gc.ca/myaccount or completing this form and sending it, along with any **other required documents** to the tax centre that serves your area.

Complete and submit this application as soon as possible after the child is born or begins to live with you, or when you become a resident of Canada for income tax purposes.

Part 1 – Information about the applicant

Who should complete Part 1?

The person who **is primarily responsible for the care and upbringing of the child** should complete Part 1.

For CCTB purposes, it is presumed that when both a male and a female parent live in the same home as the child, the **female parent is considered to be primarily responsible** (see the definition on the second page of this information sheet) for the child and should apply. However, if the male parent is primarily responsible, he can apply if he attaches a signed note from the female parent to his application, which states that the male parent is primarily responsible for all of the children in the household.

Does your application include a period that started more than 11 months ago?

In order to receive these payments, you must attach **legible photocopies of both sides of all pages** of the following documents for the entire period that started more than 11 months ago:

- Proof of citizenship status (for example, a Canadian birth certificate) and/or immigration status in Canada for you and your spouse or common-law partner, if you have one.
- Proof that you resided in Canada, such as a lease or rent receipts, utility bills, or bank statements.
- Proof of birth for each child. See Part 3 on this page.
- Proof that you were the person who is primarily responsible (see the definition on the second page of this information sheet) for the care and upbringing of the child(ren). This could include, but is not limited to, a signed statement from a school, daycare or nursery, a medical professional, or a lawyer.

If your application includes a period that started more than 11 months ago, it is considered late.

What is your current marital status?

Tick "Married" if you have a spouse, or "Living common-law" if you have a common-law partner. If you have been separated for less than 90 days, you are still considered to be married or living common-law. For more information, see the definitions on the second page of this information sheet.

Part 2 – Information about your spouse or common-law partner

Complete Part 2 of the application only if you ticked box 1 or 2 in Part 1.

Part 3 – Information about the child(ren)

Complete this part to provide information about the child(ren).

Do **not** provide information about a child for whom you have already applied, or for whom you receive benefits.

Note

If a child left your care and has now returned to your care, you have to provide information about that child again.

When do you need to provide proof of birth?

You need to attach proof of birth for the child if we have not previously paid benefits to anyone for this child, and any of the following applies:

- the child was born outside Canada; **or**
- the child was born in Canada **and** is one year of age or older.

Attach **legible photocopies of both sides of all pages** of one of the following documents for proof of birth:

- birth certificate or birth registration;
- hospital record of birth or record of the physician, nurse, or midwife who attended the birth;
- passport;
- Record of Landing or Confirmation of Permanent Residence issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada;
- citizenship certificate; or
- Notice of Decision or a Temporary Resident's Permit issued under the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*.

Shared eligibility

There are situations where a child may reside with two different individuals on a more or less equal basis, and both of these individuals share equally in the child's care and upbringing. If this situation applies to you, attach a note to your application that clearly states your parenting arrangement. For more information, go to www.cra.gc.ca/benefits or call us at 1-800-387-1193.

Part 4 – Change of recipient

Complete this part if the child(ren) had been living with another individual or were maintained by an agency.

Part 5 – Certification

You have to sign and complete this part. If you completed Part 2, your spouse or common-law partner also has to sign and complete this part.

Additional information

Direct deposit



You can have your payments deposited directly into your account at a financial institution in Canada. To get this service or change your banking information, use My Account at

www.cra.gc.ca/myaccount, or complete and attach Form T1-DD(1), *Direct Deposit Request – Individuals*, to your application.

Service standard – Benefits application

Timeliness – Our goal is to issue a payment, notice, or explanation to you within 80 calendar days. To follow the processing of your application, use My Account at www.cra.gc.ca/myaccount.

Definitions

Common-law partner

This applies to a person who is **not your spouse**, with whom you are living in a conjugal relationship, and to whom at least **one** of the following situations applies. He or she:

- has been living with you in a conjugal relationship for at least 12 continuous months;
- is the parent of your child by birth or adoption; or
- has custody and control of your child (or had custody and control immediately before the child turned 19 years of age) and your child is wholly dependent on that person for support.

In addition, an individual immediately becomes your common-law partner if you previously lived together in a conjugal relationship for at least 12 continuous months and you have resumed living together in such a relationship.

Under proposed changes, this condition will no longer exist. The effect of this proposed change is that a person (other than a person described in b) or c) above) will be your common-law partner only after your current relationship with that person has lasted at least 12 continuous months. This proposed change will apply to 2001 and later years.

Accuracy – Our goal is to accurately process the appropriate payment and notice, and if necessary, a letter requesting additional information.

Child and family benefits online calculator

You can use our online calculator to get an estimate of your child benefits by going to www.cra.gc.ca/benefits-calculator.

Where to send your form

Send us your completed Form RC66, *Canada Child Benefits Application*, and any required documents to the tax centre that serves your area.

You can find the address of your tax centre, by:

- seeing Pamphlet T4114, *Canada Child Benefits*;
- seeing Information Sheet RC311, *Your Child and Family Benefits addresses*; or
- going to www.cra.gc.ca/benefits-address.

Reference to "12 continuous months" in this definition includes any period that you were separated for less than 90 days because of a breakdown in the relationship.

Primarily responsible

Primarily responsible for the care and upbringing of a child means that you are responsible for such things as supervising the child's daily activities and needs, making sure the child's medical needs are met, and arranging for child care when necessary. If there is a female parent who lives with the child, we usually consider her to be this person. However, it could be the father, a grandparent, or a guardian.

Separated

You are separated when you start living separate and apart from your spouse or common-law partner because of a breakdown in the relationship and this separation lasts for at least **90 days** during which time you have not reconciled.

Note

Once you have been separated for 90 days (due to a breakdown in the relationship), the effective day of your separated status is the day you started living separate and apart.

Spouse

This applies only to a person to whom you are legally married.



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To apply for all child benefit programs, complete this application and send it, along with any other required documents, to the tax centre that serves your area. For more information, see "Where to send your form" on the attached information sheet.

Do not use this area

Complete the parts that apply to you (please print).

Part 1 – Information about the applicant

When both a male and female parent reside in the same home, we usually consider the female parent to be the applicant.

First name and initial _____ Last name _____ Social insurance number _____
 Last name at birth (if different from last name above) _____
 Date of birth: Year _____ Month _____ Day _____
 Your language of correspondence: Female Male
 English Français

Mailing address

Apt No – Street No Street name _____ PO Box _____ RR _____
 City _____
 Province or territory (or country, if outside Canada) _____ Postal code _____

Home address (if different from above)

Apt No – Street No Street name _____ City _____
 Province or territory (or country, if outside Canada) _____ Postal code _____

Telephone numbers: Home _____ – _____ – _____ Work _____ – _____ – _____
 Year _____ Month _____ Day _____
 If you moved to this address within the last 12 months, enter the date you moved 2 0 _____
 If you moved from a different province or territory, name the previous province or territory

Does your application include a period that started more than 11 months ago? Yes No
 If **yes**, see the first page of the attached information sheet to find out which documents you need to attach.

Have you been a Canadian citizen for the last 12 months? Yes No
 If **no**, you must complete and attach Schedule RC66SCH, *Status in Canada/Statement of Income*, to your application.

You must also complete and attach schedule RC66SCH, *Status in Canada/Statement of Income*, if you or your spouse or common-law partner:

- became a new resident or returned as a resident of Canada in the last 2 years; or
- are, as defined in the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*, a permanent resident, protected person (refugee), or temporary resident who has lived in Canada for the previous 18 months.

Tick the box that applies to your current marital status. (Tick only one box.)
 See the second page of the attached information sheet for the definitions.
 1 Married 2 Living common-law 3 Widowed 4 Divorced 5 Separated 6 Single
 Enter the date your current marital status began. (If you ticked box 2 or 5, see the definitions for **common-law partner** and **separated** on page 2 of the attached information sheet to determine the date you must enter.) Year _____ Month _____ Day _____

Part 2 – Information about your spouse or common-law partner

First name and initial _____ Last name _____ Social insurance number _____

 Last name at birth (if different from last name above) _____

 If your spouse's or common-law partner's address is different from your address, please explain: _____ Date of birth _____

Has your spouse or common-law partner been a Canadian citizen for the last 12 months? Yes No
 If **no**, you must complete and attach schedule RC66SCH, *Status in Canada/Statement of Income*, to your application.

Part 3 – Information about the child(ren)

To find out if you need to attach proof of birth, see the first page of the attached information sheet.
 Does the child(ren) listed below reside with you all of the time? Yes No
 If **no**, see "Shared eligibility" on the second page of the attached information sheet.

Child information — (Do not include children for whom you have already applied.)

First name and initial _____ Last name _____ Female Male

 Place of birth: City _____ Province or territory (or country, if outside Canada) _____

 Date of birth _____
 Year Month Day

 Have you been **primarily responsible** for this child since birth?
 (see the definition on the second page of the attached information sheet) Yes No
 If **no**, when did you become primarily responsible for the child?

 Year Month Day

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First name and initial _____ Last name _____ Female Male

 Place of birth: City _____ Province or territory (or country, if outside Canada) _____

 Date of birth _____
 Year Month Day

 Have you been **primarily responsible** for this child since birth?
 (see the definition on the second page of the attached information sheet) Yes No
 If **no**, when did you become primarily responsible for the child?

 Year Month Day

If you are applying for more than two children, use a separate sheet of paper to give the information requested above for the additional child(ren). Sign the sheet, and attach it to this form.

Part 4 – Change of recipient

Complete this part if the child(ren) had been living with another individual or maintained by an agency.
 Name, address, and telephone number of previous caregiver or agency _____ Name of child(ren) _____

Part 5 – Certification

I certify that the information given on this form and in any documents attached, is correct.
Applicant's signature _____ Date _____
 It is a serious offence to make a false statement.
Spouse's or common-law partner's signature _____ Date _____
 It is a serious offence to make a false statement.