



APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO RETURN – CHECKLIST

According to paragraph 52 (1) of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*, any person deported from Canada cannot return without authorization. In order to request this authorization, you must complete the following checklist and provide all requested items.

- Complete and place this checklist on top of your application.
- [Consult our website](#) for forms and instructions.
- Any document not in English or French must be accompanied by a translation.
- Failure to submit all required documentation may result in the refusal of your application or delay processing.
- Do not send original documents unless we specifically ask you. Send us photocopies of all other documents.
- False statements or submission of fraudulent documents will result in refusal and may lead to legal action against you.
- Please note that the documents submitted with your application become the property of the Government of Canada and cannot be returned to you in any form. Please ensure that before submitting your application, you keep a copy of all documents you may need later.
- The decision to grant an authorization to return to Canada is made only following an evaluation of all the factors related to the deportation and the actual situation of the applicant. At this point, we cannot guarantee that your application will be accepted. A deportation order is issued only when a person has made a serious violation of the Immigration Act.

You must submit the following documents:	Y
<p>Application for Authority to Return to Canada completed, signed. The form must be completed in block letters or typed. Answer all questions. If not applicable, write N/A.</p>	
<p>A criminal clearance certificate from the National police authorities in all countries where you have resided at least six months since reaching the age of 18, including an FBI certificate for the United States and (if appropriate) an RCMP certificate for Canada. This clearance must be based on a fingerprint check. See our Police Certificate Instructions.</p>	
<p>Two passport photographs taken within the last six months. Write the name and birth date of the individual on the back.</p>	
<p>Processing fee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that you have paid the correct non-refundable processing fee. Include the receipt with the application. • Regarding removal costs: if you are a foreign national and have not paid the removal costs and if your application is accepted, we will inform you of the fees to be paid before issuance of the authorization to return to Canada. 	
<p>Passport - Photocopy of the pages from your passport showing the first page, your name, date of birth, country of birth, biodata, passport number, and expiration date.</p>	
<p>A written statement describing the circumstances leading to your removal/exclusion from Canada and the reasons for which you now wish to be admitted to Canada.</p> <p>In the case where a person has been deported by reason of criminal inadmissibility, the applicant must, except in exceptional circumstances, prove that he has been rehabilitated and is no longer inadmissible. If the crimes were committed in Canada, he must demonstrate that he has obtained a pardon from Canadian judicial authorities. This pardon, or rehabilitation, does not a guarantee that an Authorization to Return will be issued.</p>	



Proof of your financial situation, or that of the person upon whom you depend, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a monthly bank statement indicating the balance• proof of employment or• other sources of income (pension for example).	
If applicable, please submit:	Y
If you would like Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) to release information from your case file to someone other than yourself, you must authorize us by completing Authority to release personal information to a designated individual (IMM 5745) .	
If someone is assisting you in completing your application or you would like someone to do business with our office on your behalf, completed Use of a Representative form (IMM 5476) .	