

# IMPORTANT NOTICE

**Effective November 10, 2016:** The Government of Canada will implement a system to electronically verify that travellers have the appropriate travel documents to fly to or transit through Canada prior to boarding their flight.

## CANADIAN CITIZENS AND DUAL CANADIAN CITIZENS

Canadian citizens, including dual Canadian citizens, will need to show proof that they are Canadian to board their flight to Canada. A valid Canadian passport is the only reliable and universally accepted travel and identification document available to Canadians for the purpose of international air travel. If you are a Canadian citizen and fail to travel with a valid Canadian passport, you may not be able to board your flight.

**Find out how to apply for or renew a passport at [Canada.ca/passport](http://Canada.ca/passport).**

## CANADIAN PERMANENT RESIDENTS

Canadian permanent residents must present a valid Canadian permanent resident card or permanent resident travel document as well as a valid passport to board a flight to Canada.

**Learn more about travelling as a Canadian permanent resident at [Canada.ca/PR-card](http://Canada.ca/PR-card).**

## VISA-EXEMPT TRAVELLERS

Citizens who do not need a visa to enter Canada will need an **Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)** to travel to or transit through Canada by air. If you are from a visa-exempt country, you will need an eTA to check in for your flight.

**Note:** Citizens of the United States (U.S.) are exempt, but U.S. lawful permanent residents will need an eTA and must present a valid U.S. permanent resident card (Green Card) and a valid passport at check-in.

### Can I apply for an eTA at the last minute and still make my flight?

It is possible. To apply, you will need your passport, a credit card, Internet access and an email address. It costs CAN\$7 to apply, and the application form is accessible via any device with access to the Internet. Most applications are approved within a few minutes.

### What happens after I apply?

In most cases, you will receive a confirmation email that your eTA has been approved.

While most eTAs are granted within minutes, some applications can take hours to several days to process. In these cases, you will receive an email confirming receipt of your application and indicating that you will hear more within 72 hours.

\*Make sure to check the junk mail or spam folder of the email address you provided on your eTA application form.

**You will need to wait until your eTA is approved before you can fly to Canada.**

**Apply now for an eTA online at [Canada.ca/eTA-direct](http://Canada.ca/eTA-direct).**



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