

RSTP Bulletin

The latest news and updates on Canada's Refugee Sponsorship and Resettlement Programs

Inquiries

You Asked

In what situations may IRCC ask the Principal Applicant's (PA) extended family members in Canada to complete and submit an IMM 0006 form?

Answer

IRCC have advised that some Migration Offices are asking for the [IMM 0006 form](#) to be completed and submitted as some airlines are asking for a letter of authorization from the Migration Office when the person travelling to Canada is a family member of a Canadian citizen, Registered Indian or permanent resident.

The [IMM 0006 form](#) is being used for this purpose and is primarily being requested based on the needs of the airlines.

IRCC further advised that they are currently working on updated guidance for Migration Offices which advises that the [IMM 0006 form](#) should only be used when there is a need for IRCC to establish a relationship between family members (which most of the time is already done by the application package), not as a letter of authorization for the airlines.

However, in the interim, the [IMM 0006 form](#) may still be requested and the PA's extended family members in Canada should complete and submit the form.

You Asked

What are the new COVID-19 testing requirements for air travellers that came into effect on January 07, 2021 and how do they apply to sponsored refugees?

Answer

As of January 07, 2021, all persons travelling to Canada by air that are over the age of five, including sponsored refugees, are required to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 molecular test result to the airline before boarding their flight.

The test must be taken within 72 hours of the scheduled departure time and airlines will not permit travellers to board the plane if they are unable to provide a negative test.

We have contacted IRCC for guidance on any measures and procedures that may be introduced to assist sponsored refugees with complying with this requirement (such as whether the IOM will be assisting refugees with the testing pre-departure; whether the cost of the test be covered by IFHP; and, how soon travel will be rebooked if the result is positive).

We will share IRCC's response with you as soon as we receive it.

For more details on the negative COVID-19 test requirement for air travellers, please click [here](#) and [here](#).

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS, WEBINARS & E-TRAINING COURSES

Register for the Introduction to the Private Sponsorship of Refugees (IET101) E-Training Course!

Registration for the next session of RSTP's Introduction to the Private Sponsorship of Refugees (IET101) e-training course is now open!

The course will run from January 25, 2021 to March 26, 2021.

The deadline to register is Wednesday January 20, 2021 at 12:00 PM EST.

To register, please [click here](#).

Suivez notre cours en ligne d'introduction au parrainage privé des réfugiés!

Nous offrons cet hiver la version française de notre cours en ligne d'introduction au parrainage privé des réfugiés (IET 101FR)! Ce cours gratuit de 10 semaines s'adresse aux groupes de parrainage, fournisseurs de service et autres individus intéressés et donne un survol du Programme de parrainage privé de réfugiés géré par le gouvernement fédéral du Canada.

Les participants ayant réussi les 8 quiz hebdomadaires et l'examen final recevront un certificat d'achèvement et auront la possibilité de s'inscrire à notre cours avancé.

Le cours débutera le lundi 8 février 2021. **La date limite d'inscription est le mercredi 3 février 2021, à 23 h 59 (HNE).**

Pour de plus amples renseignements ou pour vous inscrire, envoyez un courriel à eformation@rstp.ca

Online Workshop for CGs and Co-Sponsors of SAHs

Date: Saturday January 30, 2021

Time: 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM EST

Registration: [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

Upcoming Webinars

How to Submit a Refugee Sponsorship Application to ROC-O Via Email and Updating Applications After Submission

Date: Monday, January 18, 2021

Time: 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm MST

Registration: [Registration \(gotowebinar.com\)](#)

Preparing for Arrival and Providing Post-Arrival Support: Handling Unrealistic Expectations and Practicing Ethical Considerations

Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Time: 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm MST

Registration: [Registration \(gotowebinar.com\)](#)

Preparing and Transitioning to Month 13

Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM MST

Registration: [Registration \(gotowebinar.com\)](#)

For details of other upcoming RSTP webinars in English and French please [click here](#).



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