RSTP Bulletin

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



You Asked

Have there been any recent changes to the travel restrictions or the entry requirements?

Answer

As of May 22, 2021, all persons entering Canada are required to report where they have been 14 days prior to arriving in Canada. This information must be submitted via ArriveCAN.

In addition, if a positive test result is received from either of the two in-Canada tests, the 14-day quarantine period must restart from the date the test result is received.

Travellers that are fully vaccinated, including sponsored refugees, <u>are not</u> exempt from the entry requirements and must quarantine (or isolate if they test positive on arrival) for a minimum of 14 days after arriving in Canada.

For more information on the entry requirements, including on the procedure that will be followed before travel is booked for sponsored refugees and what will happen when the refugees arrive in-Canada, please <u>click here</u>.

You Asked

Which versions of the Generic Application Form for Canada [IMM 0008] are accepted by IRCC?

Answer

Any version of the Generic Application Form for Canada [IMM 0008] will be accepted by IRCC's

Resettlement Operations Centre – Ottawa (ROC-O) provided it is validated and has the 2D barcode on it.

However, sponsors and refugees are strongly encouraged to use the latest versions of the forms when preparing a new application package.

The latest versions of all the forms can be downloaded here and here.

Meet Laura Strong, the new RSTP Trainer for Newfoundland and Labrador and Nova Scotia!

Laura Strong has joined RSTP as the Trainer for Newfoundland and Labrador (NL) and Nova Scotia (NS).

Laura recently moved home to NL after living and working in the settlement sector in Regina for seven years. Her most recent role was as Assistant Manager with the



Regina Region Local Immigration Partnership (RRLIP). Before this, Laura worked as the Community Connection Worker with the Regina Open Door Society for three and a half years.

In these roles, Laura was responsible for facilitating the integration of newcomers into their new communities and providing cultural awareness training to community members and service providers. Laura provided support to those who were interested in learning more about newcomers and how to effectively engage and work with them and was also responsible for coordinating a group that supported private sponsors in Regina.

Laura is excited to join the RSTP team and is looking forward to working with sponsors in NL and NS. Laura is based in NL and can be contacted at lstrong@rstp.ca.

UPCOMING RSTP ONLINE WORKSHOPS & WEBINARS

Monthly Webinars

How to Prepare a Successful Application Package under the Private Sponsorship of Refugees (PSR) Program

Date: Wednesday June 09, 2021 Time: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM EDT

Registration: Registration (gotowebinar.com)

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

Date: Friday June 11, 2021 **Time:** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM EDT

Registration: Registration (gotowebinar.com)

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

Date: Tuesday June 15, 2021 Time: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM EDT

Registration: Registration (gotowebinar.com)

Post-Arrival Assurance Activities: What Groups of Five and Community Sponsors Need to Know

Date: Friday June 18, 2021 **Time:** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM EDT

Registration: Registration (gotowebinar.com)

Preparing and Transitioning to Month 13

Date: Tuesday June 29, 2021 Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM EDT

Registration: Registration (gotowebinar.com)







Briefing by UNHCR East Africa & Ethiopia on the Refugee Situation in the Region

Date: Wednesday June 09, 2021 Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EDT

Registration: Registration (gotowebinar.com)

Se préparer pour réussir l'année de parrainage!

Date: Mardi 22 juin 2021 **Heure:** 19 h à 21 h (HAE) **Inscription: Zoom**

Workshop for CGs & Co-**Sponsors of SAHs**

Date: Saturday June 26, 2021 Time: 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM EDT

Registration: Zoom

Sign Up for Our E-Training Courses Starting in the Fall!

The fall session of the Introduction to the Private Sponsorship of Refugees Program (IET101) course will run from September 27, 2021 to November 28, 2021.

The 9-week introductory level course is designed to provide students with an overview of the Private Sponsorship of Refugees (PSR) program and the international context in which it operates.

For details on how to sign up for the fall session, please click here.





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