

## APPLYING ONLINE FOR A SOCIAL INSURANCE (SIN) NUMBER

1. Visit [www.canada.ca/social-insurance-number](http://www.canada.ca/social-insurance-number)
2. Select option 4 “How to apply”
3. Scroll to “Apply Online” and select the button “Apply online for a SIN”
4. Select your application type and fill out the required information

Any field that has a **red asterisk (\*)** is a required field, all others, if not applicable, can be left blank.

## REQUIRED INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS

You will need the following information and documents:

- A primary document based on your current status in Canada (example: work permit, study permit – stating you can work or Canadian birth certificate)
- A secondary document that confirms your identity (example: a foreign or Canadian passport or a Canadian provincial/territorial ID card or driver’s license)
- A proof of address that confirms the mailing address you provide on the application
- A supporting document if the name on the application is different than the name on the documents provided (example: marriage certificate or name change certificate)
- **Both** of your parent’s first and last name **at birth** (prior to marriage), even if it does not match your passport or is not listed on any documents

## PROOF OF ADDRESS DOCUMENT

A proof of address document must confirm your name and the address provided on the application. Examples of an acceptable proof of address document include:

- A letter or document from a federal, provincial, territorial or foreign government
- A letter or document from a financial institution (example: bank statement, credit card statement, mortgage contract or statement)
- A residential tenancy agreement or lease
- A bill (example: from a telecom provider, from a cable provider, from a utility provider)
- A document issued by a school, a college or university
- An employment contract (must contain a section that confirms your mailing address)
- A letter from an organization or institution or employer that attests the mailing address of the applicant; and **is signed by the applicant, and the organization, institution or employer**