APPLYING ONLINE FOR A SOCIAL INSURANCE (SIN) NUMBER

1. Visit 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