

The Canadian High Commission has opened a Visa Application Centre (VAC) in Pretoria, and now also in the Western Cape. Applicants are to submit their application for tourism, work and study visas to Visas Zone where a dedicated visa consultant will check and collate the application, assist with the online payment and make the appointment on behalf of all travelers. NOTE: All applicants from any province other than Gauteng and the Western Cape need to appear in person at these two Lodgement Centres. Therefore, choose the one nearest to you and contact any of our offices to set up an appointment and plan the application/s. We also offer shuttle meet and greet services to and from the Lodgement Centres, therefore, kindly enquire within.

Visas Zone Canadian Disclaimer needs to be signed. Failing to do so, the applications cannot be processed.

Valid ordinary passport validity 6 months after date of return plus a color copy. Applications for visas will no longer be accepted if accompanied by the South African Temporary Passport. Applicants must submit the regular South African passport with the application. The South African Temporary Passport, in all forms (ordinary, official and diplomatic) will no longer be valid for travel to Canada.

South African citizens to submit a copy of ID.

The application form must be completed online and printed with a 2D bar code. Please request a copy from your visa consultant.

Additional family form (Obtainable from our website). Please make sure to complete this in as much detail as possible even though family members are deceased.

If married, copy of marriage certificate.

Additional forms to be completed in detail - employment history and consent form giving Visas zone to act on applicants behalf.

Two colour passport-size photos.

Itinerary (flight schedule).

Accommodation - Confirmation of a Hotel booking for the full duration of your stay or a detailed letter from friends or family inviting you to stay with them (The address and telephone number must be stipulated).

Financial - Letter from the bank stating the amount that has been purchased or three month-s bank statements or foreign exchange receipt stipulating name and amount purchased (No exact amount required per day, however, Visas Zone recommends nothing less than the value of R1200.00 per person per day and must be in the applicants personal name).

Employment letter - Recent letter of employment stating date of return, position held, dates of employment and monthly salary or if you are self-employed provide a statement to this effect on your official letterhead and include your business registration certificates/ownership documents. If retired a copy of your pension card OR a copy of your recent rates and taxes account. Scholars travelling outside of official school holidays must provide a letter from the school granting permission to be out of school.

Minors- An original notarized parental consent statement is required for minor children (Under 18 years of age) travelling unaccompanied by their parents or official guardians. If only one parent is travelling with a child then the other parent must submit a notarized consent letter signed by a Notary public. The Canadian High Commission no longer accepts certifications from a commissioner of oath.

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**MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS:** All residents of Southern Africa who intend to visit Canada for six months or longer must first pass a medical examination. Medical examinations may also be required at the discretion of the visa officer. Processing will take significantly longer if a medical exam is required.

Further information is available on their medical examination page and processing times page.

Processing time: The processing times for South African residents and passport holders remain volatile. Discuss the processing period with your consultant at the time of submission.

Costs - Kindly contact Visas Zone for a detailed quotation as prices vary due to the exchange rate.

Payment Method to the Canadian High Commission - Cash payments and postal orders in South African Rand will no longer be accepted. Processing fees must be submitted by bank-issued cheque or bank draft only, in the correct Rand amount, payable to "The Canadian High Commission" -obtainable through Visas Zone but a Lodgement fees applies.

Visas Zone charge a service fee.

Prices may vary.

No representative in the Western Cape, courier fee applies.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT RECEIPT.** Important Notice on Visa Processing Times. I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have read and understood the following information regarding my Irish visa application: Visa processing is managed solely by the Irish authorities. Processing times may vary depending on the visa category, seasonal demand, and individual circumstances. While some visas may be processed within a few weeks, others may take several months. I understand that I should not book travel or make fixed arrangements until my visa has been approved and issued. Visas Zone will provide updates as they become available, but cannot guarantee exact processing timelines. By signing below, I confirm that I understand and accept the above terms. Full Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ . Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_ . Date: \_\_\_\_\_ .

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_