



# Welcome

## WHAT IS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS (STATUS CARD)?

One **MUST** be a registered Indian under the *Indian Act* before a status card can be issued. **IF YOU ARE NOT REGISTERED**, then please call the Indian Registration and Band Lists Representatives at 604.666.9006/9007. You will be advised on how you can apply to see if you are eligible. **Or please call the Indian Registration and Band Lists Bulletin Board at: 604.666.2059**

## IF I AM REGISTERED, WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING TO APPLY FOR A STATUS CARD?

For the issuance of a status card you must present:

- A current I.D. sized photo (1" X 1½")
- VALID PIECES of the following ID from CATEGORY 1 OR CATEGORY 2:

CATEGORY 1	or	CATEGORY 2
One Piece of Primary ID		Two Pieces of Secondary ID <b>ONE WITH DIGITIZED PHOTO</b>
1. Valid Passport 2. Plasticized Certificate of Indian Status (only from Treaty 7 Pilot Project)		1. Provincial Identification Card 2. Driver's Licence 3. Employee ID (with digitized photo) 4. Student ID (with digitized photo) 5. Firearms Licence 6. Current Certificate of Indian Status (CIS) (CIS cannot be expired by more than six months) 7. Certificate of Birth or <i>Baptism (Quebec only)</i> 8. Certificate of Marriage or Divorce 9. Certificate of Legal Name Change 10. Provincial Health Card

**HOWEVER, ALL OTHER EXPIRED ID IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. ABSOLUTELY NO PHOTOCOPIED IDENTIFICATION AND/OR SIN CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

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## INFORMATION FOR GUARANTOR'S FORM

### **ATTENTION:**

***The Guarantor Form can only be used upon approval by the BC IRBL Regional Manager. If approved for use, then a copy of the e-mail from the IRBL Manager must be printed and attached to the completed Guarantor's Form and the completed CIS application form by the client and any other supporting documentation.***

A Guarantor may be the Issuing Officer (or *IRA* - as per page 2 of the current *CIS Policy*) or a professional person as per the guarantors specified for the purpose of obtaining a passport:

- Chief or Councillor from the individual's band
- Dentist, medical doctor or chiropractor
- Judge, magistrate, police officer (municipal, provincial, RCMP)
- Lawyer
- Mayor
- Minister of religion authorized under provincial law to perform marriages
- Notary Public
- Optometrist
- Pharmacist
- Postmaster
- Principal of a primary or secondary school
- Professional Accountant
- Professional Engineer
- Senior administrator in a community college
- Senior administrator or teacher in a university
- Social Worker
- Veterinarian

The guarantor must complete and sign the Guarantor's Form. The guarantor must also sign and date the back of a photo of the individual requesting the Certificate of Indian Status (CIS).

### **You must bring the following to the Guarantor:**

- Guarantor's Form and CIS card application form.
- A recent photo of yourself taken within the last six months (1" x 1½" with NO headgear or sunglasses).

### **Directions for Guarantor's Form:**

- The Guarantor must complete and sign the bottom portion of the form.
- The Guarantor must also certify, date and sign the back of your photo.
- ***The CIS card can not be issued if the guarantor's form is not approved by the Regional IRBL Manager, or if the guarantor's form or photo is not signed by the guarantor.***

**The Guarantor's Form is acceptable as one (1) piece of I.D**

Along with the Guarantor's Form, the certified photo and your completed CIS application form, you must also bring one (1) piece of I.D. in order to obtain a CIS card.

**ACCEPTABLE I.D.:**

The following are acceptable pieces of I.D. and must be valid & must not show more than normal wear and tear:

- Birth Certificate or *Baptism for Quebec only*
- Provincial Health Card (Care Card)
- Driver's Licence
- Provincial I.D.
- Employee I.D. with digitized photo (with client's full name)
- Student I.D. with digitized photo (with client's full name)
- Marriage or Divorce Certificate
- Legal Change of Name Certificate
- Firearms Licence

The following I.D. is the only I.D. that can be accepted if expired by six months or less:

- Certificate of Indian Status (Status Card); or
- Pilot Project Certificate of Indian Status (Treaty 7)

**EXPIRED STATUS CARDS:**

ALL Status Cards must be presented upon a client's application to renew/replace their Status Card, even if expired by over six months. Otherwise, a Lost/Stolen Declaration Form must be completed.

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SIN CARDS or PHOTOCOPIED I.D.  
WILL BE ACCEPTED**