



Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) and Providing Biometrics

As of March 15, 2016, citizens of all visa-exempt countries (excluding the United States) require an eTA **before boarding a plane to Canada**. Application for an eTA is now available online.

Starting **2019**, everyone who applies for a visitor visa, study permit or work permit from outside Canada must provide biometrics (excluding US nationals).

Electronic Travel Authorization - ETA

International students from visa-exempt countries who get their study permit on or after **August 1, 2015** will automatically be issued an eTA along with their study permit. **However, students who obtained a study permit before August 1, 2015 MUST apply for an eTA if they plan to leave and re-enter Canada by air in the future.**

An eTA is a paperless identification code that is connected electronically to your passport. The eTA will be valid for five years or until the expiry of your passport, whichever comes first.

How to apply for an eTA

You should apply for your eTA several days before you travel. The cost for the eTA application is **\$7.00 CAD** and the application is made online.

Apply for your eTA online:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada/eta/apply.html>

To complete the online form, you need the following:

1. a valid passport from a visa-exempt country
2. a credit card - Visa, MasterCard, American Express (if you don't have a credit card, you can purchase a prepaid card)
3. a valid email address.

You must provide the following information on the form: your name, contact information, current address, date of birth, city you were born in, funds for your stay in Canada, countries of citizenship, and your passport information (e.g. issue date, expiry date).



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Biometrics (Fingerprints and Photo)

Visitor visa, study and work permit applicants

You only need to give your biometrics once every 10 years. If you have previously provided biometrics within this time period, you likely will not have to provide them again.

You will need to go in-person to an official biometrics collection service location.

After you submit your application for a study permit, you will receive a letter with instructions and locations where you can submit your biometrics.

How much it costs

Individual applicants: **CAD\$85**

Families applying together at the same time: **maximum total fee of CAD\$170**

Follow this link for all information on submitting biometrics:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/campaigns/biometrics/how-to-give-biometrics.html>



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