



Application for the Guaranteed Income Supplement

People who receive the Old Age Security (OAS) pension and live in Canada, may also be eligible for the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS), a non-taxable amount added to your monthly OAS pension. The GIS amount depends on your marital status and net annual income or, in the case of a couple, the combined net annual income.

When you apply for the GIS, Service Canada will obtain your income information from the Canada Revenue Agency to determine if you are eligible. Even if you do not immediately qualify for the GIS, we will review your income information every year and you will be automatically paid a GIS benefit if you become entitled, as long as you file your income tax return annually with the CRA. There is no disadvantage to applying.

Section A Personal information

A1 Social Insurance Number	A2 Preferred language ☐ English ☐ French		
A3 <i>Optional</i> ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. ☐ Miss	A4 First name Middle name Last name(s)		
A5 Date of birth (YYYY-MM-DD)	Last name at birth (if different from above)		
A6 Home address (number, street, apt., RR)			
City/Town	Province/Territory	Country	Postal code
A7 Telephone number (including area code)		Alternate telephone number (including area code)	
A8 Service Canada may contact you by email to provide you with information or ask you to call us. Personal information will not be requested or shared.			
Email address (Optional)			

Section B Applying for the Guaranteed Income Supplement

Residence

B1 Have you lived in Canada for the last two years? ☐ Yes Go to question B2. ☐ No List all of the countries, including Canada, where you have lived in the last two years. If you need more space, use a separate sheet of paper.		
From YYYY-MM-DD	To YYYY-MM-DD	Country

Income

The GIS amount is normally based on your income in the previous calendar year. If your income drops due to retirement from employment or self-employment or from your pension income ending or decreasing, your GIS may be calculated based on an estimate of your current employment and pension income. This may increase the amount of your GIS benefit.

B2 Did you retire from work in the last two years, or do you expect to retire in the next two years?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, indicate date of retirement: (YYYY-MM) _____

B3 Has your pension income been reduced in the last two years, or do you expect it will be reduced in the next two years?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, indicate date of reduction: (YYYY-MM) _____

Foreign income

B4 Each year, you must report to Service Canada any income received from another country in the currency in which it is paid. You must report the entire amount of your foreign income even if it is not paid in Canada or if it is not taxable in Canada. Foreign income includes income from wages, employer pensions, social security benefits, dividends, investments and rental income received from another country.

Do you receive income from another country?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, indicate type of income and the amount you receive annually in the currency that it is paid. Please ensure you specify the currency.

Sponsorship

B5 Were you ever admitted into Canada under a sponsorship agreement?

☐ Yes ☐ No (if No, please go to question B6)

Please provide the following details on your sponsorship:

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) Unique Client Identifier (UCI) Number:

Category of sponsorship agreement: _____

Was your sponsorship agreement with the province of Quebec? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date you became a Permanent Resident of Canada: (YYYY-MM-DD) _____

Length of sponsorship undertaking in years: _____

Was there a break in your sponsorship?

☐ Yes If yes, please describe the type of break:

☐ No _____

 You may have to provide a document to prove a break in sponsorship. See the Reference Guide for information.

Marital status**B6** Indicate your current marital status:

- ☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Common-law ☐ Widowed as of (YYYY-MM): _____
☐ Separated as of (YYYY-MM): _____ ☐ Divorced as of (YYYY-MM): _____

Information about your spouse/common-law partner

B7 If you do not have a spouse or common-law partner, go to Section C. If you have a spouse or common-law partner, all questions in this section must be completed. This application will also allow your spouse or common-law partner to apply for the GIS.

<i>Optional</i>	First name	Middle name	Last name(s)
☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. ☐ Miss			

Social Insurance Number	Date of birth (YYYY-MM-DD)	Date of marriage or common-law union (YYYY-MM-DD)

Home address if different than your address (number, street, apt., RR)

City/Town	Province/Territory	Country	Postal code

Telephone number (including area code)

Service Canada may contact you by email to provide you with information or ask you to call us.
Personal information will not be requested or shared.

Email address (Optional)

B8 Has your spouse or common-law partner lived in Canada for the last two years?

- ☐ Yes Go to question B9.
☐ No List all of the countries, including Canada where your spouse/common-law partner has lived in the last two years.

From YYYY-MM-DD	To YYYY-MM-DD	Country

B9 Did your spouse/common-law partner retire from work in the last two years, or does your spouse/common-law partner expect to retire in the next two years?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, indicate date of retirement: (YYYY-MM) _____

B10 Has your spouse/common-law partner's pension income been reduced in the last two years, or will it be reduced in the next two years?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, indicate date of reduction: (YYYY-MM) _____

B11 Does your spouse/common-law partner receive income from another country?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, indicate type of income and the amount you receive annually in the currency that it is paid. Please ensure you specify the currency.

B12 Was your spouse/common-law partner ever admitted into Canada under a sponsorship agreement?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Section C Declaration and signature**C1 Declaration and signature of applicant**

I declare that the information on this application is true and complete. I also declare that I have read and agree to the terms and conditions outlined in Section D.

Signature of applicant

Date (YYYY-MM-DD) _____

C2 Declaration and signature of spouse/common-law partner (if applicable)

I, the spouse/common-law partner of the applicant, declare that the information on this application is true and complete. I also declare that I have read and agree to the terms and conditions outlined in Section D. I understand that this will also be considered as my application for the Guaranteed Income Supplement if I am currently eligible to receive the Old Age Security pension.

Signature of spouse/common-law partner

Date (YYYY-MM-DD) _____

If you, the applicant, or your spouse/common-law partner signed with a mark (e.g. X), the mark must be made in the presence of a witness and section C3 must be completed.

C3 Declaration and signature of witness or person authorized to act on behalf of the applicant or the applicant's spouse/common-law partner

☐ I am acting as witness

I have read the content of this application to the applicant who appeared to fully understand and who made his or her mark in my presence.

☐ I am signing on behalf of the applicant

☐ I am signing on behalf of the applicant's spouse/common-law partner

I declare that the information on this application is true and complete. I also declare that I have read and agree to the terms and conditions outlined in Section D.

Signature of witness or authorized person

Date (YYYY-MM-DD) _____

Full name of witness or authorized person

Relationship to applicant

Mailing address (number, street, apt., PO Box, RR)

City/Town

Province/Territory

Country

Postal code

 *If you are applying on behalf of the applicant or the applicant's spouse/common-law partner, you must provide proof that you are authorized to act on their behalf (for example, power of attorney or authorization for trusteeship).*

Section D Terms and Conditions/Privacy Notice Statement**Read the following information when you sign your application:**

If you make a false or misleading statement, you may be subject to an administrative monetary penalty and interest, if any, under the *Old Age Security Act*, or may be charged with an offence. Any benefits you received or obtained to which there was no entitlement would have to be repaid.

Your personal information is administered in accordance with the *Department of Employment and Social Development Act*, the *Old Age Security Act*, the *Privacy Act* and other applicable laws. You have the right to the protection of, access to, and correction of your personal information, which is described in Personal Information Bank ESDC PPU 116. Instructions for obtaining this information are outlined in the government publication entitled *Info Source*, which is available online at **Canada.ca/infosource-ESDC**. *Info Source* may also be accessed online at any Service Canada Centre.

Reference Guide

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If you have questions or need help applying, contact us:

In Canada or the United States:

English: 1-800-277-9914

French: 1-800-277-9915

TTY: 1-800-255-4786

Have your Social Insurance Number ready when you call.

To learn more about the Old Age Security program visit www.canada.ca/oas



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Section B: Applying for the Guaranteed Income Supplement

B1: Residence

Below is an example of a completed residence statement:

B1 Have you lived in Canada for the last two years?		
☐ Yes Go to question B2.		
☐ No List all of the countries, including Canada, where you have lived in the last two years. If you need more space, use a separate sheet of paper.		
From YYYY-MM-DD	To YYYY-MM-DD	Country
2023-01-05	2024-05-02	United States
2024-05-03	Present	Canada

B2 - B3: Income

If you indicate that your income has dropped in the last two years or that you expect it to drop in the next two years, we will send you a separate form for an estimate of your income after it drops.

Examples of pension income include:

- employer pension benefits;
- annuity payments;
- alimony and maintenance payments;
- employment insurance benefits;
- disability benefits deriving from a private insurance plan;
- any benefit under the Canada Pension Plan or Quebec Pension Plan (except death benefit);
- superannuation or pension payments;
- employee's or worker's compensation in respect of an injury, disability or death.

B5: Sponsorship

Effective October 1, 2025, individuals under a sponsorship agreement are not able to receive the GIS, Allowance or Allowance for the Survivor benefits for the entire length of their sponsorship agreement. To determine if you can receive these benefits, more information is needed by Service Canada.

If you were ever admitted into Canada under a sponsorship agreement, all questions in B5 are mandatory. Details regarding sponsorship can be found on your immigration documents from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) such as your IMM 5688 Confirmation of Permanent Residence, IMM 5716 Status Verification or IMM 1000 Record of Landing.

- indicate your IRCC Unique Client Identifier (UCI). Your UCI can be found on official documents received from IRCC. It has either:
 - four numbers, a hyphen and four more numbers (Example: 0000-0000) or
 - two numbers, a hyphen, four numbers, a hyphen and four more numbers (Example: 00-0000-0000)

If you have not dealt with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) since 1973, you will not have a UCI or a Client ID.

- indicate the category of sponsorship (Spouse, Common-law partner, Conjugal partner, Parent or Grandparent, Sponsored Refugee, Other relative)
- if your sponsorship agreement was undertaken with the government of Quebec, select Yes
- indicate the day you became a Permanent Resident (PR) of Canada
- indicate the length of your sponsorship undertaking period in years
- conditions of a break in a sponsorship agreement include: death of a sponsor, the sponsor's conviction of an offence under the *Criminal Code* relating to the sponsored individual, bankruptcy of your sponsor, the sentencing of the sponsor to a term of imprisonment of more than six months

You may refer to www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship.html for more information about immigration and citizenship status.

B8: See Question B1 for more information.

B9 - B10: See Question B2 - B3 for more information.

B12: See Question B5 for more information.

Section C: Declaration and signature

If a medical condition prevented you (or the person on whose behalf you are applying) from applying earlier, please contact Service Canada to obtain a *Declaration of Incapacity* form. If certain conditions are met, the pension may be paid at an earlier date. You may also want to go online at **Canada.ca** to learn more about how to act as a third-party administrator.



Service
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Service Canada Offices

Old Age Security

Mail your forms to:

The nearest Service Canada office listed below.

From outside of Canada: The Service Canada office in the **province where you last resided**.

Need help completing the forms?

Canada or the United States: **1-800-277-9914**

All other countries: **613-957-1954** (we accept collect calls)

TTY: **1-800-255-4786**

Important: Please have your social insurance number ready when you call.

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