

Declaration of Tax Residence for Individuals and Politically Exposed Person

- If you are an individual and you are planning to open a financial account or if you already have a financial account with a Canadian financial institution, it may ask you to fill out this or a similar form.
- Canadian financial institutions are required under Part XVIII and Part XIX of the *Income Tax Act* to collect the information you provide on this form to determine if they have to report your financial account to the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). The CRA may share this information with the government of a foreign jurisdiction that you are resident of for tax purposes. In the case of the United States, the CRA may also share the information with that country's government if you are a U.S. citizen. You can ask your financial institution if it reported your financial account to the CRA and what information it gave.
- Each account holder of a joint account has to fill out a declaration of tax residence form.
- Fill in all sections of this form that apply to you. If you do not have all the necessary information when you fill out the form, you may be given up to 90 days to give the missing information to your Canadian financial institution. If you do not give the missing information to your financial institution within the specified time frame, it may have to report your financial account to the CRA.
- If you need help with your tax residency information for this form, see Income Tax Folio, S5-F1-C1, *Determining an Individual's Residence Status*, which you can find on the CRA website.

Section 1 – Address

Address – street number and name

City/Province

Section 2 – Declaration of tax residence*

Tick (✓) all of the options that apply to you.

☐ **I am a tax resident of Canada.**

☐ **I am a tax resident or a citizen of the United States.**

TIN from the United States

If you ticked this box, give your taxpayer identification number (TIN) from the United States

If you do not have a TIN from the United States, have you applied for one?

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ **I am a tax resident of a jurisdiction other than Canada or the United States.**

If you ticked this box, give your jurisdictions of tax residence and taxpayer identification numbers.

If you do not have a TIN for a specific jurisdiction, give the reason using one of these choices:

Reason 1: I will apply or have applied for a TIN but have not yet received

it. Reason 2: My jurisdiction of tax residence does not issue TINs to its

residents. Reason 3: Other reason.

For this form, "other reason" is enough. However, you still have to tell your financial institution the specific reason.

Jurisdiction of tax residence	Taxpayer identification number	If you do not have a TIN, choose reason 1, 2, 3.

I am not a Politically Exposed Person* or Head of an International Organization

I am a PEP or HIO – Please contact us (613) 233-3394, 1 (800) 567-3863, info@tradex.ca

Section 3 – Certification*

I certify that the information given on this form is correct and complete. I will give my financial institution a new form within 30 days of any change in circumstances that causes the information on this form to become incomplete or inaccurate.

Name (print)

Signature

Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

*For more information about sections 2 & 3 or who is considered a PEP or HIO, please refer to the back of this form.

How to fill out the form

Section 2 – Declaration of tax residence

Use Section 2 to identify the account holder's tax residence and taxpayer identification number. If the account holder does not have such a number, give a reason.

Generally, an individual will be a **tax resident** of a jurisdiction if, under the laws of that jurisdiction, they pay or should be paying tax there because of their domicile, residence, or a similar criterion.

For more information on tax residency, talk to your tax adviser or go to oecd.org/tax/automatic-exchange/crs-implementation-and-assistance/tax-residency/#d.en.347759.

If you do not have a TIN from the United States, you have 90 days to apply for one and 15 days after you received it to give it to your financial institution.

Reasons that fall under "Reason 3: **Other reason**" for not having a TIN include not being eligible to receive one.

However, if you are eligible to receive a TIN but you do not have one, you have 90 days to apply for one through your jurisdiction of residence. You have 15 days after you receive it to give it to your financial institution.

Section 3 – Certification

Make sure you fill in and sign Section 3 before you give this form to your Canadian financial institution.

Who is a foreign PEP?

A foreign PEP is a person (or a family member thereof) who holds or has held one of the following offices or positions in or on behalf of a foreign state:

- head of state or head of government;
- member of the executive council of government or member of a legislature;
- deputy minister or equivalent rank;
- ambassador, or attaché or counsellor of an ambassador;
- military officer with a rank of general or above;
- president of a state-owned company or a state-owned bank;
- head of a government agency;
- judge of a supreme court, constitutional court or other court of last resort; or
- leader or president of a political party represented in a legislature.

These persons are foreign PEPs regardless of citizenship, residence status or birth place.

A person determined to be a foreign PEP, is forever a foreign PEP.

Who is a domestic PEP?

A domestic PEP is a person (or a family member thereof) who holds — or has held within the last 5 years — a specific office or position in or on behalf of the Canadian federal government, a Canadian provincial government, or a Canadian municipal government:

- Governor General, lieutenant governor or head of government;
- member of the Senate or House of Commons or member of a legislature;
- deputy minister or equivalent rank;
- ambassador, or attaché or counsellor of an ambassador;
- military officer with a rank of general or above;
- president of a corporation that is wholly owned directly by Her Majesty in right of Canada or a province;
- head of a government agency;
- judge of an appellate court in a province, the Federal Court of Appeal or the Supreme Court of Canada;
- leader or president of a political party represented in a legislature; or mayor.

Who is a head of an international organization?

The head of an international organization is a person who is either:

1. the head of an international organization established by the governments of states; or
2. the head of an institution established by an international organization.

When we refer to the head of an international organization or the head of an institution established by an international organization we are referring to the primary person who leads that organization, for example a president or CEO.

Who is considered to be the family member of a PEP or a HIO?

If a person is a foreign PEP, domestic PEP or HIO, then certain family members must also be regarded as PEPs or HIOs. These family members are:

- their spouse or common-law partner;
- their child;
- their mother or father;
- the mother or father of their spouse or common-law partner; and
- a child of their mother or father (sibling).