



## APPLICATION FOR MÉTIS NATION OF ALBERTA CITIZENSHIP

### Métis Nation of Alberta Registry

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This form is the official Métis Nation of Alberta (MNA) citizen application package. Please read through the entire application and use the **Requirements Checklist** below to ensure all necessary information and documentation are included in your application. Applications can be submitted by email or to any MNA office in person or by mail. Original documents are not required, you may submit photocopies or scans of your documents with your application package. Any missing information or documentation will result in a delay of your application.

**NOTE: This document is a fillable PDF, which allows you to type in your information, however all signatures must still be hand written on the printed form.**

### Requirements Checklist

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Birth Document                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of Permanent Residency in Alberta |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commissioned Statutory Declaration          | <input type="checkbox"/> Commissioned Oath of Citizenship        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Current Photo Identification*       | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Métis Citizenship Application  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consent to Release Confidential Information | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Tree (genealogy) Information     |

**\*Note:** If the applicant is under 18 years of age the parent or guardian signing application must present current photo identification, not the applicant.

### Entitlement to Métis Nation of Alberta Citizenship

**"Métis"**— a person who self identifies as Métis, is distinct from other Aboriginal peoples, is of historic Métis Nation ancestry and is accepted by the Métis Nation.

**An individual who self-identifies as Métis, must provide historical proof of his or her Métis ancestry:**

- Historic proof showing evidence of an ancestor who received a land grant, or a scrip grant under the Manitoba Act or the Dominion Lands Act, or who was recognized as a Métis in other government, church, or community records;
- Historic Métis Nation means the Indigenous people then known as Métis or Half-Breeds who resided in historic Métis Nation Homeland;
- Historic Métis Nation Homeland means the area of land in west central North America used and occupied as the traditional territory of the Métis or Half-Breeds, as they were then known.

**Métis Homeland:** The Homeland, geographically, embraces all three prairie provinces (Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta) also parts of Ontario, Northwest Territories, British Columbia, and parts of the United States.

### Birth Documents

To complete your application, you must obtain a copy of ONE of the below birth documents.

#### Acceptable Birth Documents:

- Live Birth Registration
- Long Form Birth Certificate showing the full names of biological parents
- Wallet-size Birth Certificate PLUS a copy of baptismal certificate with church seal (legible) and officiates signature

You can request birth documents from the Vital Statistics Department of the province of your birth. Please ensure requested documents show parentage. For a list of available resources visit [albertamemis.com/registry/genealogy](http://albertamemis.com/registry/genealogy)

### Current Photo Identification

If mailing in your application, please provide a copy of current photo identification. If the applicant is under 18 years of age, the parent or guardian signing the application must present current photo identification, not the applicant.

#### Acceptable Photo Identification:

- Driver's License
- Alberta Identification Card
- Firearms License
- Passport PLUS proof of residency in Alberta for 90 consecutive days

## Proof of Alberta Residency

You may be required to provide proof of permanent residency in Alberta for a minimum of ninety (90) consecutive days.

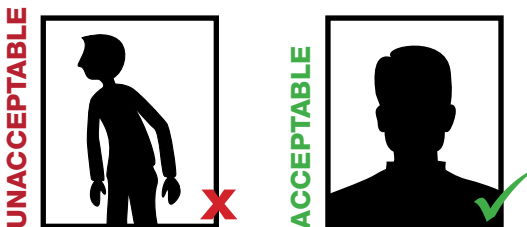
### Acceptable Proof of Residency:

- Alberta driver's license
- Three (3) consecutive months of utility bills (mobile phone records will not be accepted)
- Vehicle insurance
- Mortgage or rental lease agreement

## Métis Citizenship Card Photo Specifications

Photos for your Métis citizenship card can be taken at the Provincial Head Office, any of the regional offices, or taken at home. If providing your own photo, please ensure it follows the below requirements:

- No filters
- Photos must be in colour
- White or light colored background
- Photos must reflect/represent natural skin tones
- Image must be clear, sharp, and in focus
- Shadows or flash reflection on the face and head will not be accepted
- Shows a full front view of the applicant's face, with face and shoulders centered in the photo and squared to the camera
- Eyes must be open and clearly visible. Glasses may be worn as long as eyes are clearly visible. Sunglasses are not acceptable
- Hats or head coverings are not permitted except when worn for religious reasons and only if the full facial features are clearly visible
- Photos can be emailed to [registry@metis.org](mailto:registry@metis.org) or mailed to the Provincial Head Office. You must include your full name and birth date with all photo submissions.



## Getting Documents Commissioned

In order to complete your application, there are two (2) forms requiring a Commissioner for Oaths' signature. Please note all signatures must be originals. Photocopied, faxed, scanned, or emailed applications will not be accepted.

1. *Statutory Declaration: Not on an Indian Registry/Band List*
2. *Oath of Citizenship*

### Documents can be Commissioned at:

- MNA Provincial Head Office or Regional Offices (contact your local office for more information)
- Insurance agencies, lawyers, or registries (fees may apply)

## Family Tree

All applicants are **required** to provide a completed family tree outlining their **Métis ancestry** to the **mid 1800s**. If you are referencing or linking to another family member's tree, you still must complete your own family tree to the ancestor you both have in common. Please include the full name, relationship to you, and citizen ID of the family member you are referencing on the bottom of your family tree. Additional documentation to support genealogy may be required.

### Resources Available:

#### Genealogy Research Centre

Monday – Friday

9:00am – 11:30am & 1:00pm – 3:30pm

Provincial Head Office: 11738 Kingsway Ave., Edmonton AB

#### Online Resources

[albertametis.com/registry/application-guidelines/family-tree/](http://albertametis.com/registry/application-guidelines/family-tree/)

## Application Submissions

Completed applications with commissioned forms can be mailed-in or dropped-off to any of the offices listed below.

<b>PROVINCIAL</b> 11738 Kingsway Avenue Edmonton, AB T5G 0X5 780-455-2200 Toll Free: 1-800-252-7553	<b>REGION 2</b> 5102 51 St. Box 6497 Bonnyville, AB T9H 2H1 780-826-7483	<b>REGION 5</b> 353 Main St. N Slave Lake, AB T0G 2A3 780-849-4654 Toll Free: 1-866-849-4660
<b>REGION 1</b> 10104 102 Ave. PO Box 1350 Lac La Biche, AB T0A 2C0 780-623-3039	<b>REGION 3</b> 1530 – 27th Ave NE Calgary, AB T2E 7S6 403-569-8800 Toll Free: 1-800-267-5844	<b>REGION 6</b> 9621 90 Ave. Peace River, AB T8S 1G8 780-624-4219 Toll Free: 1-800-668-5319

## Personal Information Protection Policy

The information you provide is collected under the authority of the Métis Nation of Alberta Association Bylaws. This information is collected for the purpose of citizenship registration and any other information you provide is protected under the Métis Nation of Alberta Personal Information Protection Policy. A copy of this policy is available by request.



# Lifetime Métis Citizenship Application

All sections are mandatory unless marked otherwise.

## Personal Information

I Am (check one):  Métis  First Nations  Inuit  Non-Aboriginal

Print Name: Last Maiden First Middle

Mailing Address: Apt# Street City Province Postal Code

Phone Number(s): Home Mobile Email:

Preferred means of being contacted (check all that apply):  Email  Mail  Telephone

Birth Date (YYYY/MM/DD): Gender:  Male  Female  X

Place of Birth: City / Town / Village Province Country

Father's Last Name: Father's First / Middle Name: Father's Date of Birth:

Mother's Last Name: Mother's First Name / Middle Name / Maiden Name: Mother's Date of Birth:

Current Marital Status:  Single  Married  Common Law  Divorced  Separated  Widow(er)

Partner's First and Last Name (if applicable): Partner's Date of Birth:

Are you a Settlement Member?  Yes  No Settlement: Métis Local # (if applicable):

## Proof of Canadian Citizenship

Were you born in Canada?  Yes  No If born outside of Canada, please specify which country:

Birth Certificate Registration Number: Certificate of Canadian Citizenship Registration Number:

Date of Issue: Date of Issue:

I have been a permanent resident of Alberta since: (YYYY/MM/DD)

Declaration: I solemnly swear the statements made in this application are true.

Signature of Applicant Date: Signed at: , AB

(Parent or guardian if applicant is under 18 years of age. Must also provide ID)

## For Provincial / Regional Office Use Only

Region: Application Date: Intake Officer:

## Statutory Declaration: Not on an Indian Registry / Band List

This information is being collected for the purpose of documenting an application for Citizenship in the Métis Nation of Alberta under the Bylaws of the Métis Nation of Alberta Association. This information will be securely stored under the control of the Métis Nation of Alberta. It is protected from disclosure to unauthorized persons or agencies pursuant to the provisions of the Personal Information Protection Act. Under the Act, you have the right to request access to your personal information held by the Métis Nation of Alberta and to request corrections should you believe the information contains errors or omissions.

In the matter of an application for Citizenship in the Métis Nation of Alberta and in the matter of non-registration on the Indian Registry System and/or Band List

To wit: I \_\_\_\_\_  
(Complete name of Declarant/Child)

of \_\_\_\_\_, in the Province of \_\_\_\_\_  
(City, Town or Village)

solemnly declare that I am not registered on the Indian Registry System, pursuant to the Indian Act, and/or a Band List, and that I will immediately inform the Métis Nation of Alberta should I become registered on the Indian Registry System pursuant to the Indian Act and/or a Band List.

I hereby consent to a search of the Indian Registry System to determine if I am listed therein. I authorize the Métis Nation of Alberta to request such a search on my behalf, to release to the Indian Registry System the information necessary for such a search to be conducted, and to be given the results thereof.

I make this declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it has the same force and effect as if made under oath.

Declared before me at

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City, Town or Village)  
in the Province of Alberta

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Declarant  
(Parent or Guardian if Declarant is under 18 years of age)

On \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Commissioner for Oaths

***It is a criminal offence to make a false declaration***

# Consent to Release Confidential Information

I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Complete name of Declarant/Child)

understand that the Métis Nation of Alberta shall use the personal information collected as part of the Citizenship application process and that the contents of my citizenship application file are confidential and protected and not to be released to any person, affiliate, or agency without my express consent as provided below.

I authorize the Métis Nation of Alberta to share my genealogical information, including any/all official birth or baptismal documents used for the purpose of linking me to my Métis ancestral connection, with the following persons (check one):

- Members of my immediate family** – grandparents, parents, siblings, children or other relatives only insofar as they are able to show how they link to my family tree;

- OR -

- The **following named persons only** insofar as they are able to show how they link to my family tree;

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I further authorize the Métis Nation of Alberta to undertake the following (check all that apply):

- To confirm my Citizenship status with all Métis Nation of Alberta affiliates requesting said confirmation as criterion for applying for and/or obtaining programs and services offered by said affiliates;
- To communicate with me by way of email regarding the business of and initiatives being undertaken by or of interest to the Métis Nation of Alberta and its affiliates.

The above consents will remain in effect until such time as they are cancelled in writing by me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
(Parent or Guardian if under 18 years of age)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness to Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Oath of Citizenship

I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Complete name of Declarant/Child)

agree to the Métis Nation's Bylaws and policies, as amended from time to time, and, voluntarily authorize the Métis Nation to assert and advance collectively-held Métis rights, interests, and claims on behalf of myself, my community, and the Métis in Alberta, including negotiating and arriving at agreements that advance, determine, recognize, and respect Métis rights. In signing this oath, I also recognize that I have the right to end this authorization, at any time, by terminating my Citizenship within the Métis Nation.

Sworn before me at

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City, Town or Village)  
in the Province of Alberta

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Declarant  
(Parent or Guardian if Declarant is under 18 years of age)

On

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Commissioner for Oaths)

# Family Tree – Paternal (Father) Ancestry

Please fill in the **first and last** name for each Métis ancestor, and list **maiden names for all maternal ancestry**.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

## LEGEND

- n Name of ancestor
- b Date of birth
- wb Where person was born
- m Date of marriage
- wm Where person was married
- d Date of death
- wd Where person died

<b>1. Your Father's Name</b>		<b>4. Great Grandfather's Name</b>	<b>8. Great Great Grandfather's Name</b>	
n		n	n	16. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
b		b	b	
wb		wb	wb	17. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
m		m	m	
wm		wb	<b>9. Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	18. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
d		m	n	
wd		wm	b	19. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
			wb	
			<b>10. Great Great Grandfather's Name</b>	20. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
		<b>5. Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	n	
		n	b	
		b	wb	21. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
		wb	<b>11. Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	
		m	n	22. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
		wm	b	
			wb	23. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
			<b>12. Great Great Grandfather's Name</b>	
		<b>6. Great Grandfather's Name</b>	n	24. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
		n	b	
	<b>3. Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	b	wb	25. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
	n	wb	<b>13. Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	
	b	m	n	26. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
	wb	wm	b	
	m		wb	27. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
	wm		<b>14. Great Great Grandfather's Name</b>	
	d	<b>7. Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	n	28. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
	wd	n	b	
		b	wb	29. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
		wb	<b>15. Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	
		m	n	30. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
		wm	b	
			wb	31. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name



**If linking to another family member please include their:**

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Métis citizen ID: \_\_\_\_\_

# Family Tree – Maternal (Mother) Ancestry

Please fill in the **first and last** name for each Métis ancestor, and list **maiden names for all maternal ancestry**.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

## LEGEND

- n Name of ancestor
- b Date of birth
- wb Where person was born
- m Date of marriage
- wm Where person was married
- d Date of death
- wd Where person died

<b>1. Your Mother's Name</b>		<b>4. Great Grandfather's Name</b>	<b>8. Great Great Grandfather's Name</b>	
n		n	n	16. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
b		b	b	
wb		wb	wb	17. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
m		m	m	
wm		wm	<b>9. Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	18. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
d		d	n	
wd		wd	b	19. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
			<b>10. Great Great Grandfather's Name</b>	20. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
		<b>5. Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	n	
		n	b	21. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
		b	wb	
		wb	<b>11. Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	22. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
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		wm	b	23. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
			wb	
			<b>12. Great Great Grandfather's Name</b>	
		<b>6. Great Grandfather's Name</b>	n	24. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
		n	b	
	<b>3. Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	b	wb	25. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
	n	wb	<b>13. Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	26. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
	b	m	n	
	wb	wm	b	27. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
	m		wb	
	wm		<b>14. Great Great Grandfather's Name</b>	28. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
	d	<b>7. Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	n	
	wd	n	b	29. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
		b	wb	
		wb	<b>15. Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name</b>	30. Great Great Great Grandfather's Name
		m	n	
		wm	b	31. Great Great Great Grandmother's Maiden Name
			wb	



**If linking to another family member please include their:**

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Métis citizen ID: \_\_\_\_\_