

# CIRA POLICIES, RULES, AND PROCEDURES

## Canadian Presence Requirements For Registrars Version 1.1

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After public consultation, CIRA has determined that the .ca domain space should be developed as a key public resource for the social and economic development of all Canadians. Accordingly, anyone who wishes to become certified as a Registrar must comply with certain Canadian presence requirements.

Only the following persons will be permitted to be certified and to act as a Registrar of the .ca Internet Domain Name Registry operated by CIRA:

- (a) **Canadian citizen.** A Canadian citizen who is ordinarily resident in Canada (as defined below) and is of the age of majority under the laws of the province or territory in Canada in which he or she resides;
- (b) **Permanent resident.** A permanent resident within the meaning of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*, (Canada) S.C. 2001, c. 27 who is ordinarily resident in Canada (as defined below) and is of the age of majority under the laws of the province or territory in Canada in which he or she resides; (*amended June 5, 2003*)
- (c) **Corporation.** A corporation: (i) under the laws of Canada or any province or territory of Canada; and (ii) which has a place of business in Canada at which at least one employee or administrative contact of the corporation who is ordinarily resident in Canada regularly and frequently attends to carry out the functions of the Registrar;
- (d) **Partnership.** A partnership, each partner of which meets one of the conditions set out in paragraphs (a), (b) or (c) above, which: (i) is registered as a partnership under the laws of any province or territory of Canada; and (ii) has a place of business in Canada at which at least one employee or administrative contract of the partnership who is ordinarily resident in Canada regularly and frequently attends to carry out the functions of the Registrar;
- (e) **Educational institution.** Any of the following: (i) a university or college which is located in Canada and which is authorized or recognized as a university or college under an Act of the legislature of a province or territory of Canada; (ii) a college, post-secondary school, vocational school, secondary school, pre-school or other school or educational institution which is located in Canada and which is recognized by the educational authorities of a province or territory of Canada or licensed

under or maintained by an Act of Parliament of Canada or of the legislature of a province or territory of Canada; or

- (f) **Government.** Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, a province or a territory; an agent of Her Majesty in right of Canada, of a province or of a territory; a federal, provincial or territorial Crown corporation, government agency or government entity; and a regional, municipal or local area government;

In this policy, a person who is “**ordinarily resident in Canada**” means a person who resides in Canada for more than 183 days in the one twelve month period prior to the date of the relevant application for certification or re-certification as a Registrar by CIRA.