



## Checklist 1 - Basic (From PR notification to months 1-3 In Canada)

Your personal first level checklist as a new immigrant to Canada. Recommend time to complete is 3 months. Complete and check your setup progress and move to the next level.

Total percentage 100%

Did you...	No	50%	Yes	Notes
Get accommodation (very important before landing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sign up for your Permanent Resident (PR) card	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Get Mobile number	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Get SIN (necessary for banking and work)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Open bank account	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Apply for a credit card (to build credit rating)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Speak to an advisor on investment (highly recommended)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Speak to an advisor on business and start-ups (highly recommended)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Open an investment account (highly recommended invest to grow)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Get provincial ID card (only for non-drivers)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Get your G1 drivers licenses (written test)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Apply for your Health Card	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Take enough driving lessons to prepare for the road test (recommend to learn the correct and proper way to drive in Canada)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Get your G2 /G drivers licenses (road test)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Learn the public transport system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Explore new places, network and meet new people (recommended for future decisions and assistance)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Speak one Canadian language	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Learn the Canadian version (how they say things and what it means)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Learn the second language (e.g. English speakers learning French, French speakers learning English)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Get involved in activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Get proper clothing for the season (extremely important for winter months)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

# Tips

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**Accommodation.** This is very critical and affects the following. PR card delivery, banking, health card, driver's license. All these require an address. Start searching for temporary accommodation before you land in Canada.

**Learning both languages:** If you can learn both languages you have a strategic advantage in jobs, places to live and interaction. You are able to communicate with a large portion of the population.

**PR card.** This is done on entry. Please have your mailing address ready. This can take up to 90 days to be received.

**Mobile number.** This is necessary for you to be contacted. For most of the tasks above you will be asked to provide a contact number. e.g. banking, driver's license, health card. Please beware of phone schemes.

**Bank Account.** This is necessary to keep your money safe and build credit.

**Credit card.** This is necessary to build credit history. Please use wisely.

**Investments.** Your normal checking and saving accounts don't pay a lot of interest. Talk to an advisor to find options that give you more value for your dollar. This is critical for newcomers. It adds up in the long run.

**Provincial ID.** This is necessary if you don't drive. You would need it to apply for your health card. It can be considered your Canadian ID card.

**Driver's license.** This is necessary for drivers and is an official Canadian ID type. There are multiple types of licenses but each photo one can be used as an ID.

**Proper clothing:** Canada's weather is a hot topic almost every day. You can literally begin a conversation based on the weather. The key to surviving the brutal cold temperatures in winter is proper clothing. According to where you are in Canada the difference in temperature can be very drastic.

**Language:** Canadian official languages are English and French. Please keep this in mind. Don't expect a Canadian to understand a language that is neither of these. You are migrating please ensure you invest time to learn how to communicate.