



Checklist 3 - (From months 13-36 in Canada)

Your personal third level checklist as a new immigrant to Canada. Recommend time to complete is 12-24 months. Complete, check your progress and move to the next level.

Total percentage 100%

Did you...	No	50%	Yes	Notes
Begin saving toward your targeted goals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Begin to gain Canadian work experience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Consider purchasing and affordable vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Establish a clear 3 year work plan (for future growth)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Begin developing a trusted circle of friends	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Establish a saving target for your (2nd year of work)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Consult financial institutions to discuss acquiring a home (highly recommended for planning)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Investigate an insurance plan that is valuable to you (highly recommended health, life, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Purchase a functional computer system (desktop or laptop for work, research, study, keeping in contact)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
File taxes for the period (important)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Open a (RRSP) if not yet completed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Gain a certificate from study (Canadian issued)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Obtain affordable temporary accomodation while saving your new home deposit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Continue being involved in additional events (charity, volunteering, mentoring)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Establish healthy living routines and check-ups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Explore more places, continue networking and meeting new people (recommended for future decisions and assistance)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Advance your knowledge of Canadian history	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Pick a favourite hockey team and do you know about the Raptors (sports is a hot topic)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Reach the high intermediate level on your second language (e.g. English or French language)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Keep updated on current activities (sports, economy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Visit other provinces. (You should also do this to be aware of other opportunities within Canada)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Tips - Checklist 3

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Begin saving toward your goals. This should include short term (car etc.) and long term (home deposit, children saving, retirement, etc). With the research you have done you should have a good idea what your target should be. Please use your funds wisely.

Learning both languages: Learning a second language is not an easy task. You should stick with this and set target to where you should be at. By year three you should be at high intermediate or advance. Keep at it, it can help your career.

Work experience. Regardless of what level your first job is you need to start earning Canadian work experience. This will open more opportunities along your career path.

Build trusted circles. You should be networking enough to begin to establish key relationship and trusted people. While a lot of learning can be done on your own there is the necessity to get sound advice and support when necessary

Healthy routines. Health is very important. Please ensure this as one of the things you focus on to maintain or improve

Get involved. This is part of networking and building friendships. This can be done through charity, church events, social events, etc.

Vehicle. You may need a vehicle for several reasons. Please consider something affordable and properly functioning that leaves room for you to still save for your future home. It may be a temptation but spend wisely.

Mortgages. You may not yet have the deposit but please have the discussion now and start saving for it now. The greater the understanding of your options you have the better.

Affordable accommodation. You should be able to locate affordable temporary accommodation. Your first year in Canada is complete. Therefore at this point you should have an idea of where you want to settle. During the transition while saving for your deposit you may consider the best priced option that works best with your schedule and budget.

Registered retirement saving plan: You need to start investing for your retirement and you need to start now. The earlier you start the better and being wise financially as an immigrant is something that you have to do. You are building a future for your children who would be Canadian so put away something now so you can enjoy retirement later.

Study: Planning for your future advancement may involve study, networking and gaining soft skills. After three years you should have completed some type of certification or maybe are in process of completing. A Canadian certificate can be helpful in the future.