

Discontinuation of the Provincial Alberta Indian Tax Exemption Cards

Information for First Nations and eligible individuals.

The Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) program provides that eligible individuals are exempt from fuel tax on fuel, and tobacco tax on tobacco, purchased as personal property on reserve in Alberta. Effective October 4, 2021, the only documents accepted as proof of eligibility for tax-exempt purchases made on reserve in Alberta will be the status card or Temporary Confirmation of Registration document (TCRD) issued by Indigenous Services Canada (ISC), as proof of registration under the *Indian Act*. AITE service providers will no longer accept the AITE card after October 4, 2021.

Accepting proof of registration documents

Effective October 4, 2021, accepted proof of eligibility for tax-exempt purchases made on reserve in Alberta are the:

- Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS);
- Certificate of Indian Status (CIS); and
- Temporary Confirmation of Registration Document (TCRD).

Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) service providers should accept any of the above proof of registration documents, including those past their renewal date.

Changes for eligible individuals

Eligible individuals can contact their local First Nation office or visit Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) at canada.ca/indian-status if they would like more information on how to obtain a status card or TCRD.

Changes for First Nation offices

First Nation offices will receive a letter from Alberta Tax and Revenue Administration with a new registration number required to purchase tobacco, fuel or accommodation for tax exemption.

Changes for AITE Service Providers

All AITE service providers are required to verify eligibility by asking to see the individual's proof of registration document at point of sale.

Service providers will enter the registration number or the cardholder's full name into the point of sale system at the time of purchase to generate the tax exemption.

How individuals can obtain a Secure Certificate of Indian Status

To apply for a Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS), the individual must be registered under the *Indian Act*. If not registered, they can apply for both registration and an SCIS at the same time. If unsure if they are registered, they may contact [Public enquiries](#), ISC Alberta regional office or their First Nation office.

The Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS) Application for Already Registered Persons is available at canada.ca/indian-status-forms or by contacting [Public enquiries](#).

How individuals can obtain a Certificate of Indian Status

Some First Nation offices issue the Certificate of Indian Status (CIS).

Individuals opting for a CIS may apply in person to the Indian Registration Administrator (IRA) of their First Nation office by completing the *Application for Certificate of Indian Status* ([form 83-009E](#)).

How can individuals obtain a Temporary Confirmation of Registration Document

To request a Temporary Confirmation of Registration Document (TCRD), individuals must already be registered under the *Indian Act*. A TCRD may be requested by contacting the ISC Alberta regional office by phone at 780-495-2773 or [Public enquiries](#). TCRDs will be sent to individuals by mail.

