



# SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT

Quebec residents need not complete this form

**BEFORE YOU START, READ THE INSTRUCTION GUIDE. TYPE or PRINT in black ink.**

The sponsor and, if applicable, the co-signer must, before a sponsorship undertaking can be approved, enter into a written agreement with the person to be sponsored (i.e. the principal applicant) if this person is 22 years of age or older or, if less than 22 years of age, is the sponsor's spouse, common-law partner or conjugal partner. This agreement lists the obligations and responsibilities that fall onto the sponsor and, if applicable, the co-signer as well as unto the person being sponsored and his or her family members.

**Sponsor's details**

Family name

Given name(s)

Date of birth

**Co-signer's details (if applicable)**

Family name

Given name(s)

Date of birth

**Sponsored person's details**

Family name

Given name(s)

Date of birth

**OBLIGATIONS OF THE SPONSOR AND, IF APPLICABLE, THE CO-SIGNER**

**As sponsor or co-signer, I promise** to provide for the sponsored person and his or her family members' basic requirements for a period that begins the day on which the sponsored person enters Canada with a temporary resident permit or, if already in Canada on the day on which the sponsored person obtains a temporary resident permit following an application to remain in Canada as a permanent resident, and in any other case on the day on which the sponsored person becomes a permanent resident and ends:

- A. if the sponsored person is the spouse, common-law partner, or conjugal partner of the sponsor, on the last day of the period of 3 years following the day on which they become a permanent resident;
- B. if the sponsored person or family member is a dependent child of the sponsor or of the sponsor's spouse, common-law partner or conjugal partner and is less than 22 years of age when they become a permanent resident, on the earlier of
  - the last day of the period of 10 years following the day on which they become a permanent resident, or
  - the day on which they reach 25 years of age;
- C. if the sponsored person or family member is a dependent child of the sponsor or of the sponsor's spouse, common-law partner or conjugal partner and is 22 years of age or older when they become a permanent resident, on the last day of the period of 3 years following the day on which they become a permanent resident; and
- D. if the sponsored person or family member is a person other than a person referred to above, on the last day of the period of 10 years following the day on which they become a permanent resident.

Basic requirements include food, shelter, clothing, fuel, utilities, household supplies, personal requirements and health care not provided by public health, including dental care and eye care.

**I promise** that financial obligations or other personal circumstances over the applicable period referred to above will not prevent me from honouring this agreement and the sponsorship undertaking I signed or co-signed;

**I promise** that the sponsored person and his or her family members will not need to apply for social assistance benefits; and

**I promise** to respond promptly to requests for help from the sponsored person and his or her family members by giving money, buying items or providing services for their living expenses.

**OBLIGATIONS OF THE PERSON TO BE SPONSORED**

**As the person to be sponsored, I promise** to make every reasonable effort to provide for my own basic requirements as well as those of my accompanying family members;

**I promise** to ask the sponsor and co-signer (if applicable) for help if I or my family members are having difficulty supporting themselves or meeting their own basic requirements.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Elderly parents or grandparents who are sponsored are not expected to look for a job to care for themselves.

Sponsored persons and/or their family members who are being abused or assaulted by their sponsors should seek safety away from their sponsors even if this means that they will have to apply for social assistance benefits. A sponsor cannot force Citizenship and Immigration Canada to remove you from Canada.

**An undertaking is unconditional and may not be terminated.** Under no circumstances does the granting of Canadian citizenship, divorce, separation or relationship breakdown, financial deterioration or moving to another province cancel the undertaking.

**LEGAL AND FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES**

The co-signer, if applicable, is jointly and severally or solidarily bound with the sponsor to perform the obligations of the sponsorship undertaking and is liable with the sponsor for any breach of those obligations. If the sponsor and, if applicable, the co-signer do not provide support as required, the sponsored person can take legal action.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

The sponsored person consents to the release to the sponsor or co-signer of information concerning social assistance the sponsored person or his or her family members applied for or received during the validity period of the sponsorship undertaking.

**DECLARATION**

I understand the contents of this agreement, having asked for and obtained an explanation on every point that was not clear to me.

Signature of sponsor

Date

Signature of co-signer

Date

Signature of sponsored person (principal applicant)

Date

