New Secure Certificate of Indian Status Card - SCIS

AANDC is accepting applications for the new SCIS **by mail only**. The applications forms can be downloaded and printed from the AANDC Website, call 1-800-567-9604 or request from your FN/Band's membership/registry office.

1) **SCIS Adult Application for Age 16 and over** **- Must include:**
   - Applicant's **Original** Birth certificate.
   - Copy of Marriage certificate required if applying in married name.
   - Copy of 1 valid ID: Passport, enhanced Drivers Licence/Provincial ID Card **OR**
   - Copy of front and back of 2 valid ID: Federal, provincial government issued ID documents that have combination of name, photo and signature.
   - Two (2) unaltered, identical commercial grade Passport style photographs.
   - Activation code.

2) **SCIS Parent or Legal Guardian application for Age 15 and under or a dependent adult:**
   - Child's/Dependents **original parental info birth certificate.**
   - Copy of 1 Valid ID of parent/legal guardian's government issued ID document with name, photo and signature.
   - Two (2) unaltered, identical commercial grade Passport style photographs.
   - Activation Code

3) **SCIS Guarantor Declaration required for all Mail-In Applications**
   - Guarantor must be 18 yrs +, must have known applicant personally for 2 years.
   - Guarantor must be accessible for AANDC to contact and reside in Canada or USA
   - Guarantor must be someone from approved list on form
   - Guarantor must complete and sign Guarantor Declaration
   - Guarantor must sign the back of one of the Passport photos.
   - Guarantor must sign and date a photocopy of the front and back of ID document(s.)

Applications have to be mailed directly to address on form. AANDC BC Regional Office in Vancouver is now accepting **in-person** SCIS applications and no longer issue paper laminate CIS cards. They can certify the birth certificates for submitting. Applicant must supply completed applications, passport photos, completed guarantor form and signed documents. All accepted applications are sent to the National Processing Unit and the SCIS card is mailed directly to the applicant once produced. **The current time for processing a SCIS is 10-12 weeks.**

First Nation Offices will continue to issue the laminated version of status card (CIS) until it is discontinued by AANDC. Registered Individuals should apply for the new SCIS or renew their current CIS before renewal date on back of current status card. Make an appointment at your FN/Band's membership office for SCIS application. Note you must have 2 passport pictures, original birth certificate, 2 valid ID and other required documents before booking appointment.