

Opening a Bank Account

To open an account at a bank you will need to do the following:

- Choose where you want to do your banking
- Telephone the bank to make an appointment to open up an account
- Meet with a bank representative to discuss the type of account that best suits your needs

Your son or daughter will require two pieces of personal identification to open up a bank account. Both pieces must be from the Schedule of Acceptable Identification (see below)

Regardless of what form of identification you present them with, you will also be required to provide your son/daughter's date of birth, if it is not included in the identification you have provided.

In some instances, they may need to further investigate and verify the information that you have provided, prior to opening an account for you.

Schedule of Acceptable Identification:

- A valid driver's license issued in Canada
- A valid Canadian passport.
- A Certificate of Canadian Citizenship or a Certification of Naturalization, in the form of a paper document or card
- A Permanent Resident card or Citizenship and Immigration Canada Form IMM 1000, IMM 1442 or IMM 5292.
- A provincial health insurance card
- A Social Insurance Number card issued by the Government of Canada.
- An Old Age Security card issued by the Government of Canada.
- A certificate of Indian Status issued by the Government of Canada.
- A birth certificate issued in Canada.