

SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT

This agreement is designed to help the sponsor, the co-signer (if applicable) and the sponsor's family class relative understand the obligations and responsibilities involved in sponsorships.

PARTIES

	NAME	DATE OF BIRTH		
		Day	Month	Year
Sponsor				
Co-signer (if applicable)				
Sponsored relative				

MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS

Canadian citizens and permanent residents are permitted to have their family class relatives join them in Canada only after signing a sponsorship undertaking. By signing the sponsorship undertaking, the sponsor and, if applicable, the co-signer promise:

- to provide for the sponsored relative and his/her dependent's essential needs for 10 years from the date the relatives receive permanent resident status;

Essential needs are food, clothing, shelter and other basic requirements for everyday living. It includes dental care, eye care and other health needs not covered by public health services

- that financial obligations or other personal circumstances over those 10 years will not prevent them from honouring the sponsorship commitment;

- that the sponsored relative and his/her dependents will not need to apply for social assistance/welfare benefits; and

- to respond promptly when asked for help by the sponsored relative and his/her dependents by giving money, buying items or providing services for living expenses.

If the sponsored relative and his/her dependents become permanent residents, they promise:

- to make every effort to provide for their own essential needs; and

- to ask their sponsors for help if they are having difficulty supporting themselves or meeting their own essential needs.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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

Sponsored relatives 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/welfare benefits. People in this situation will continue to be permanent residents and will be able to live in Canada. In this circumstance, sponsors will continue to be responsible for their relatives' essential needs for 10 years from the date the sponsored relatives were granted permanent residence.

LEGAL CONSEQUENCES

If the sponsor and, if applicable, the co-signer do not provide support as required, the sponsored relative can take legal action. In some cases, the Minister may assign the debt to a provincial government and that government may take legal action.

DECLARATION

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

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