

2026 Apply for an EFILE Number

- To complete your CVITP EFILE application for the first time, visit the [Apply for EFILE page on Canada.ca](#) and click on the “EFILE Registration Online form” under the **How can I apply?** section.

If you already have a CVITP EFILE number, refer instead to the “EFILE Renewal” job aid.



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T2 Corporation Internet Filing

Do not register for EFILE if you are filing your own T2 Corporation income tax return. Visit the [Corporation Internet Filing](#) web page for more information.

T3 Trust Internet Filing vs T3 EFILE

For a list of T3 Trust returns that can use internet filing, visit the [Trust Internet Filing](#) web page for more information along with [Restrictions for online filing](#). For T3 electronic trust returns such as T3RET, T3ATH-IND, T3M, T3S or T3RCA to be filed using EFILE, visit [How to file a T3 return](#) along with [T3 EFILE exclusions](#) and the [T3 EFILE certified software web page](#). If you need a trust account number, visit our [Trust Account Registration](#) online service. The T3 EFILE service is now open!

To participate in the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP)

You must **first** register as a volunteer with the CVITP at [canada.ca/taxes-volunteer](#). If you intend on transmitting returns by EFILE under the CVITP, you must also **apply** for an EFILE number.

How can I apply?

Your first step in becoming an electronic filer is to complete the [EFILE Registration Online form](#). This is a one-time application, but in some situations you will have to submit revised information. Successful applicants will also be required to [renew](#) their application on a yearly basis.

The online application is designed primarily for those operating a tax preparation business. However, individuals may also apply to become electronic filers. Individuals who are not operating a tax preparation business

Your online EFILE account

Use your EFILE number and password to:

- Maintain your account
- Renew your account
- View transmission history

[EFILE Sign in](#)

Guides and help

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- [Electronic Filers Manual RC4018](#)
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2. For **Business type** select
“Volunteer (CVITP/Income
tax Assistance Program
only).”

Fill out the remaining
required fields.

EFILE registration – identify business and return types

Identification information

* **Business type (required)**

- Proprietorship
- Corporation
- Partnership
- Branch Office
- Volunteer (CVITP/Income Tax Assistance Program only)
- Charitable Organization
- Public Trustee
- Trust



Notice

- You must register as a volunteer **before** registering for EFILE. Please go to the [Volunteer registration web page](#)
- You only need an EFILE number if you will be transmitting returns by EFILE under the CVITP.
- If you registered in EFILE last year, **do not** apply again. Please go to the Account Renewal page and [Sign in](#) with your EFILE Number and password.
- If you forgot your password contact your designated [EFILE Helpdesk](#)
- Please do not apply for a new EFILE registration each year.

* **Name (as provided on your volunteer registration) (required)**

* **Contact name - enter same name as above (required)**

* **Phone (required)**

3. For the section, **Transmitting individual “Authorizing or Cancelling a Representative” requests. Select “yes” if you will be using the CRA Auto-fill my return service when completing taxpayer returns, otherwise choose “No”** then click the “Next” button.

* **E-mail address (as provided on your volunteer registration) (required)**

* **Language to communicate with you (required)**

- English
 French

Return types

* **Types of returns to transmit (required)**

T1 returns

* **Transmitting individual “Authorizing or Cancelling a Representative” requests. Select “yes” if you will be using the CRA Auto-fill my return service when completing taxpayer returns. (required)**

- Yes
 No

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4. Enter your personal address information.

EFILE registration – address information

Physical address

* Street number and name (required)

* City (required)

* Province (required)

* Postal code (required)

Mailing address

Check if mailing address is the same as above

* Street number and name (required)

* City (required)

* Province (required)

* Postal code (required)

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5. Input your **Name**, **Social Insurance Number**, and **RepID**. Your RepID is obtained by registering for Represent a Client and can be found under “Review and update” once you are signed in to your Represent a Client account. If you have not yet obtained a RepID, complete the steps in the RepID job aid first before proceeding. The **Title** should default to “Volunteer” and be left as is. Click “Next.”

EFILE registration – applicant information

Refer to [suitability screening](#) for the definition of an applicant. Social Insurance Number (SIN) and the RepID are not displayed below for security reasons.

Applicant

* Name (required)

* SIN (required)

* RepID (required)

* Title (required)

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6. Review the security measures and check off the box to indicate that you agree. Then, click “Next.”

EFILE registration – security measures

The following security measures are used by the CVITP

- Encryption of taxpayers' returns by using the tax software provided by the program.
- Electronic copies of taxpayers' returns are saved **only** on encrypted USB flash drives and are transmitted to the Canada Revenue Agency within 48 hours of completion.
- All electronic copies of the taxpayer's return are deleted no later than 48 hours after its transmission to and acceptance by the Canada Revenue Agency.

I agree to use CVITP security measures to protect confidential information collected in order to electronically file returns

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7. Review all of the certification statements and check off the boxes to indicate that you agree.

Ensure your **name** is typed in the required box and the **Title** is displaying “Volunteer” before you click “Submit registration.”

EFILE registration – certification

- I will comply with CRA procedures and policies outlined on the CRA's Web site and will comply with all provisions of the Income Tax Act.
- I understand that false statements, omissions or non-compliance may result in immediate suspension of electronic filing.
- I understand that I must maintain the confidentiality of my EFILE password.
- I agree to:
 - advise the CRA of any loss, suspected loss, or unauthorized disclosure of my password or of client information obtained through electronically filed returns.
 - provide the CRA with a complete description of any incident involving loss or disclosure of my password or of client information as soon as I become aware of any such incident.

* **Name (required)**

* **Title (required)**

- I am authorized to complete and submit this form.
- I certify the information given is correct and complete.

Privacy Notice

- Personal information, including your social insurance number, is collected under the authority of sections 150, 220 and 237 of the Income Tax Act and is used for registration, suitability screening, and the monitoring of electronic filers' activities, and the management of credentials used to provide authentication services for secure online program applications related to EFILE. Personal information will also be verified against sources within the CRA. Failure to provide this information may result in your EFILE account being denied or suspended. Personal information is described in personal information bank EFILE Online Services, CRA PPU 211 and is protected under the Privacy Act. Under this act, individuals have a right to protection and correction of and access to their personal information. You also have the right to file a complaint with the Privacy Commissioner of Canada regarding our handling of your information.


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Submit registration

8. If there are any errors or missing fields, you will be asked to make corrections until the form is accepted. You have now completed your EFILE application. The information on the confirmation page will display your personal details. Please save this page for future reference.

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EFILE registration – confirmation and password

Date/Time: YYYY/MM/DD HH:MM:SS AM/PM

Your access will be restricted to account maintenance activities until suitability screening has been completed. **Processing of your application may take up to 30 business days.** We will notify you when we have completed the suitability screening.

EFILE number: A0000
Password: *****

Name: BBB
Business Name: AAA
Email address: AAA@CCC.CA

Mailing address:
11 AA ST
OTTAWA, ON
K1A 0L5

- Contact the XXXXXX EFILE Helpdesk at 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX, should you have any questions.
- Check out the [What's new](#) page on the CRA's EFILE website at [Canada.ca/efile](#) for important information, updates and links to resources available to you.
- Important messages are regularly communicated to inform you of any system changes, maintenance schedules, filing deadlines, suitability screening status, and significant issues from other areas within the agency.
- Check your email programs to ensure that spam filters, junk mailboxes, firewalls, etc. are not configured such that they prevent you from receiving the tax messages. This occurs when your computer identifies the incoming emails from EFILE-TED < noreply@Canada.ca > as spam and dumps them into a junk folder.
- The [Form T183](#), Information Return for Electronic Filing of an Individual's Income Tax and Benefit Return **must** be completed and signed by the taxpayer prior to transmission of the return.
- **Print this page and keep it with your records.** Your EFILE number and password are needed to use the electronic filing services and to renew your EFILE participation online next filing season. Remember, your password is confidential and must remain protected.

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