

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING P2 WORK PERMITS FOR PERMANENT RESIDENTS OF CANADA

Currently, all Permanent Residents of Canada must obtain their I-94 Departure Records at their nearest **U.S. CONSULATE** as opposed to a designated Port of Entry or Pre-Flight Inspection.

Processing times are longer for bands with Permanent Resident members; due to the extra steps involved for processing through the U.S. Consulates. The Consular process can take an additional 20-25 days.

All Permanent Residents applying for P2 Work Permits must go through an additional screening process, which is conducted at the official U.S. Consulate closest to your city of residence. You are required to make an appointment at the U.S. Consulate to obtain non-immigrant work status. Information regarding this procedure can be found by visiting <https://ais.usvisa-info.com/en-ca/niv> . Please contact the Toronto CFM/AFM office to request the Receipt Number, Receipt Date and Notice Date for your case, which you will need when you book your appointment.

The category of your Visa is (P), Athletes, Artists and Entertainers. The cost is currently \$190 in US funds, per person – this amount is subject to change without notice. This is non-refundable and non-transferable. It is paid on the website above and can be paid by Visa, MasterCard or Interac Online.

This process involves filling out U.S. Consulate forms and paying an additional fee to the U.S. Consulate. An interview is then conducted by a Consulate officer at the U.S. Consulate and the musician/technician is issued his/her I-94 Departure Record, which facilitates entry into the United States as a non-immigrant worker.

The nearest consulate office for most of BC will be in Vancouver.

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