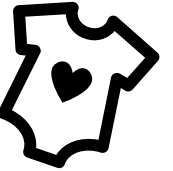




STATUS REGISTRATION FOR NEWBORN CHILDREN

- You can register your baby for a status card at the same time you apply for registration under the Indian Act.
- The process involves filling out an application, proving lineage to a registered parent or ancestor, and providing necessary documents.



Need assistance with status registration? Please contact Bridget White at 250-740-2300 or membership@snuneymuxw.ca

STEP 1: APPLY FOR BIRTH CERTIFICATE

- **Birth Certificate**
Registration can be done online or paper options.
- **B.C.'s Vital Statistics**
provides parents registering newborn children with a quick, easy, and secure way to register online and also register for:
 - *Canada Child Benefits (CCB)*
 - *Social Insurance Number (SIN)*
 - *Medical Services Plan (MSP)*



STEP 2: DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY

- **Eligibility:** Your child can be registered if at least one of their parents is registered or entitled to be registered under the Indian Act. (LONG FORM BIRTH CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED)
- **If it applies: Confirm lineage.**
You will need to prove lineage, which includes providing proof of paternity and status of the registered parent.



STEP 3: APPLICATIONS

- **Apply for both at once:** You can apply for both Registration and a Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS) if you are not yet registered.
- **Obtain the application form:**
Get the application form online, by mail, by email, or in person from a regional office or your First Nations office. (Photos are needed)
- **Fill out the form:** Complete the application form and gather all required supporting documents.



STEP 4: SUBMIT APPLICATION

- **Submit the completed application:** Send the form and all supporting documents to the appropriate office.
- **Use a guarantor:** If required, have a guarantor complete the necessary declaration to confirm your child's identity.



STEP 5: PROCESSING

- **Processing time:**
Registration under the Indian Act can take up to two years. The status card application can take 8 to 12 weeks, after registration is complete.
- **Receive the status card:**
Once the application is processed, you will receive your child's secure status card in the mail.