



Atlantic Métis Nation Association

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

“Métis means a person who self-identifies as Métis, is distinct from other Aboriginal peoples, is of historic Métis ancestry, and is accepted by the Métis Nation”

Thank you for applying for membership with the Atlantic Métis Nation Association (AMN). Please be sure to provide **ALL** required documents to the AMN Registry, as outlined below. **By applying for citizenship, you provide consent to the AMN to collect and use your personal information** for:

- 1) the purpose of determining eligibility for membership with the AMN
- 2) the purposes of research, publications, and communication pertaining to the Métis population in Nova Scotia, subject to agreements that govern how the information will be used and protected; and
- 3) the purposes of providing genealogical data for you and your Métis ancestors, and any individuals who can demonstrate how they link to your family tree. The AMN will retain authority and governance over the use of information, and your personal information will be protected at all times. Your personal information shall remain confidential and shall not be released to any other person, affiliate, or agency without your express consent, except as required by law or set out above.

Requirements Checklist for documentation that **MUST** be included with the application.

Atlantic Métis Nation Association application form, fully completed. The oath of allegiance must be signed to complete this application.

A genealogical chart, beginning with the applicant and ending with her/his Métis ancestor signed off by a certified genealogist (photocopy as many as needed)

Photocopy of document that proves your connection to your parents. Please provide **ONE** of the following options (which names you and your parents):

- 1) A copy of your long form birth certificate OR
- 2) A copy of your baptismal certificate (must be printed on church letterhead, signed, and include an official seal)

A clear passport style photo, with no hats, sunglasses or tinted glasses. Clear digital photos are acceptable and can be emailed. No photos printed on copy paper.

Document confirming name change due to marriage or for any other reason. This documentation may be a copy of your marriage certificate or provincial government certificate of name change.

Supporting documents linking every generation from you to your Métis ancestor. Please provide copies of original documents (see below for more information).

Minor children (under 18) can be indicated as the primary applicant OR as an additional applicant on page 2 (if parents or siblings are applying at the same time). A separate oath and document connecting to parents must be included for each additional applicant.

A photocopy of a current photo identification document clearly establishing your residency (e.g. government issued photo ID Card or driver's license) is required for applicants 18 or over.

Explanation of Supporting Documentation

Documents must be provided to support each link on your genealogy chart – in some instances, multiple records can be used to establish a single link. Supporting documents are copies of primary records such as:

- Birth or Baptism certificate
- Marriage certificate
- Death record, or obituary (with newspaper name and date)
- Census records
- Early military services records

Each supporting document must name and make the link between the child and parent. Secondary documents can also be accepted as supporting documents, if they are historical records. Published sources must include the title page, and publication information, and be accompanied by other primary records. Published sources will be assessed on a casebycase basis.

Please note that although useful to understand a family's history, documents obtained from the internet are rarely considered valid, unless they are copies of actual church or civic records (e.g., birth, death, marriage certificates). Documents obtained over the internet should include references clearly indicating original resources.

As per the MNO Registry Policy, applicants must prove Historical Métis Nation ancestry by providing evidence of a genealogical connection to a documented Métis ancestor who lived in the Historic Métis Nation Homeland after 1750.

A "documented Métis ancestor" means an individual identified in the Historic Record as Métis, Michif, Halfbreed (or variation such as "Breed," "Scotch Breed," "SB," "French Breed," "Other Breed," "M.E." [Métis Ecosaise], chicot, bois brulé or métisse. Historic records which use such terms include Métis Scrip Records, Land Grants, and census records. Digitized versions of such records may be available online through Library and Archives Canada. Church and civic records (birth, baptism, marriage and death records) and other historic records may also use these terms.

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Application Received: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name of Applicant: _____
Last First Middle

Maiden Name (if applicable): _____

Gender: Male Female **Date of Birth:** _____

Note: A parent or child can be the primary applicant on this form. A minor child (under 18) can also be an additional applicant. See below.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Street Address: _____ **Apartment or Unit #:** _____

City: _____ **Province:** _____ **RR#:** _____

Postal Box #: _____ **Postal Code:** _____

Telephone: _____

Mobile: _____

Email: _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Spouse's Name: _____
Last First Middle

Your Children's Names: *Please indicate clearly if your minor child (under 18) is an additional applicant.*

Name of Child: _____ DOB _____ Gender: M F

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*** ** Attach another page as needed (e.g., to provide information about child's other parent if they are not spouse listed above).

GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION

Please provide the first and last names as indicated below. (IMPORTANT: Please use women's maiden names)

Mother: _____ **Birth place:** _____ **Metis:**

Father: _____ **Birth place:** _____ **Metis:**

Mother's Mother: _____ **Birth place:** _____ **Metis:**

Mother's Father: _____ **Birth place:** _____ **Metis:**

Father's Mother: _____ **Birth place:** _____ **Metis:**

Father's Father: _____ **Birth place:** _____ **Metis:**

RELATIVES WHO ARE AMN MEMBERS

Name: _____ **Member #** _____

Name: _____ **Member #** _____

Name: _____ **Member #** _____

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

Declaration for applicants not yet 16 years of age must be signed by a parent or guardian

I make statutory declaration that I, _____ am Métis with the meaning of (name of applicant) the Atlantic Metis Nation (AMN).

Criteria for Entitlement:

“A Citizenship in the AMN shall be subject to and without limitations to individuals interested in furthering the objects of the Atlantic Metis Nation” who:

(1) *Are Métis within the definition adopted by the Atlantic Metis Nation,” (who practiced their Metis Culture and Harvesting Rights as a Metis) and who as follows (“who self-identifies as Métis), and is of the historic Métis Nation ancestry established since and as early as the 1600’s, is distinct from any other Aboriginal Peoples (First Nations/Inuit) and is accepted by the Atlantic Métis Nation” According to the Friendship treaty’s of 1725, 1752, 1762 and according to and spelled out in the Charter of Rights of Canada in 1982 in Sec.35 sub section 1,2,and 25.*

(2) *I swear that I am “not enrolled on any other Aboriginal registry.” I swear that all information provided by me is true and I pledge to follow my Harvesting Rights, conservation laws, policies and regulations established by the Atlantic Metis Nation, and as amended from time to time by the Annual General Assembly.*

(3) *Applicant Signature:*

Please keep signature above the line. Name of Applicant only; parent/guardian to sign below OR Parent/Guardian Signature:

(4) *A parent or guardian must sign here only. Please leave the section above for the applicant, or leave blank.*

(5) *Date:* _____