



Return to Tax Refund for Visitors to Canada

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You can apply for a [GST/HST](#) refund if **all** of the following conditions apply to you:

- You are not a [resident of Canada](#) when you apply for a refund;
- While in Canada, you bought [eligible goods](#) for your personal use, and/or you paid for [eligible short-term accommodation](#) (e.g., hotels, motels, resorts, bed and breakfasts, hostels, and camping);
- You paid [GST/HST](#) on your purchases;
- You have the original receipts that list each item you bought (we do not accept photocopies, debit or credit card slips);
- All of the receipts with [eligible goods](#) listed have [Proof of Export](#);
- Each receipt with [eligible goods](#) must have a total purchase amount (before taxes are added) of at least \$50 CAN (**without rounding**);
- The total of all of your receipts on [eligible goods](#) and [eligible short-term accommodation](#) (before taxes are added) must be at least \$200 CAN;
- The [eligible goods](#) you bought are removed or exported from Canada **within 60 days** of the date they were delivered to you; and
- We receive your refund application **within one year** after the date the [eligible goods](#) were delivered to you or the tax on the [eligible short-term accommodation](#) became payable.

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With one application you can apply for a refund of the [GST/HST](#) for multiple visits to Canada. To do so, on the [Application for Visitor Tax Refund \(Form GST176\)](#) where it says "Date of Arrival", please enter the date of arrival of your **first** visit. Where it says "Date of Departure", enter the date of departure of your **last** visit. On a separate piece of paper, please state the following: "There are several visits on this claim" and list the arrival and departure dates for each visit. By doing so, it will be apparent that this is not an extended visit.

If you have not bought enough [eligible goods](#) and [eligible short-term accommodation](#) to meet the \$200 CAN minimum requirement, you can ask to have your [eligible goods](#) receipts stamped for [Proof of Export](#) so that you can use them on a future claim, as long as you make the claim **within one year** after the date the [eligible goods](#) were exported or tax on the [eligible short-term accommodation](#) became payable.

Forms and Publications

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- [Application for Visitor Tax Refund \(Form GST176\)](#)
- [Tax Refund for Visitors to Canada \(Pamphlet RC4031\)](#)



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