



North Island Métis Association

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Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the North Island Métis Association (NIMA). Application for citizenship to NIMA is available to all Métis who:

- Self identify as Métis
- Are related to a NIMA member in good standing or can provide a copy of a Métis Nation BC card (MNBC)
- Have resided in the province of British Columbia for at least 3 months
- Are not registered as First Nations and do not receive any benefits as a First Nations individual
- Are not Inuit and do not receive any benefits as an Inuit individual

To begin the process of applying for NIMA membership, you will need to:

- Pay a non-refundable \$20.00 processing fee
- Fill in the NIMA membership application form
- Provide proof of Métis ancestry (connection to a NIMA member in good standing or a copy of your Métis Nation BC card)

When your application is approved with NIMA, you must:

- Provide a copy of your birth certificate
- Pay the annual membership fee of \$20.00 per year. You may pay for up to 10 years in advance. If the application is for a child (0-17 years), the fee is \$5.00 for a 5 year membership. Payments are accepted using cash or e-transfer to nimetis88@gmail.com (please include your full name in the e-transfer message box as well)
- Attend the NIMA Annual General Meeting each year
- Maintain every effort to remain in good standing as a member of NIMA
- A passport photo is no longer required, we will take the card photo at our office

Please note the following:

- Only members in good standing may attend “registration required” events for free or low cost.
- Applicants who are unable to prove Métis ancestry may apply for associate membership status
- Associate membership costs \$20.00 for processing fee plus \$25.00 for membership fee but provides the same access to NIMA hosted events that members receive. Associate membership does not provide Métis citizenship or voting rights.
- Outstanding dues must be paid before members are considered to be in good standing
- Members with outstanding dues of 4 years or more will be considered inactive
- Replacement membership cards are \$10.00

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Application for Certificate of Métis Citizenship

The information provided in this document is collected for issuing a certificate of Métis Citizenship and will not be released without your written consent

Applicant Information	Please print clearly using blue or black pen only. Do not use pencil.
First name	
Middle name	
Last name	
Street address	
City	
Postal code	
Mailing address (if different)	
Telephone	Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____
Email	
Date of birth	_____ / _____ / _____ Month Day Year
<p>Gender identity: _____</p> <p>This question asks you to identify the term that best describes you at the present time. This question is not asking about sex assigned at birth or sexual orientation. Terms you can use include gender fluid, man, nonbinary, trans man, trans woman, two-spirit, woman.</p>	
<p>Do you consider yourself a member of the LGBTQ+ community? Yes: _____ No: _____</p> <p>NIMA does not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. We ask this question in order to best consider the needs of all our members.</p>	
Are you adopted?	Yes: _____ No: _____
Are you a veteran?	Yes: _____ No: _____



North Island Métis Association Signature for Métis Citizenship Card

<p>Applicant signature</p> <p>Please sign inside the box. Signature is void if it touches the lines of the box.</p>	
<p>Parent or Legal Guardian signature – only required if applicant is under the age of 16</p>	
<p>Date</p>	
<p>Witness signature - must be a person 19 years or older</p>	
<p>Date</p>	



North Island Métis Association Métis Citizen Genealogy Profile

Applicant's full name _____

Are you currently a MNBC member in good standing?

If yes, MNBC membership #: _____

If no, do you have a family member who is currently a NIMA or MNBC member in good standing?

Full name of Métis family member	
Relationship to you Immediate family only - parent, sibling, grandparent, or child	
Family member date of birth	
Family member MNBC or NIMA membership #:	

Oath of Allegiance

I declare that I am a Métis citizen distinct from First Nations Indian, Inuit and Non-Indigenous. I do hereby apply for membership with the North Island Métis Association (NIMA). Further, should I be granted membership with NIMA, I will abide by all the rules, bylaws and amendments of the North Island Métis Association.

Signature

Date



North Island Métis Association Citizenship Application

Definition of Métis:

Métis means a person who self-identifies as Métis, is of historic Métis Nation Ancestry, is distinct from other Indigenous Peoples and is accepted by the Métis Nation.

“Historic Métis Nation” means the Indigenous People then known as Métis or Half-Breeds who resided in Historic Métis Nation Homeland.

“Historic Métis Nation Homeland” means the area of land in west central North America used and occupied as the traditional territory of the Métis or Half-Breeds as they were then known.

“Métis Nation” means the Indigenous People descended from the Historic Métis Nation, which is now comprised of all Métis Nation citizens and is one of the “aboriginal peoples of Canada” within Section 35 of the Constitution Act of 1982.

“Distinct from other Indigenous Peoples” means distinct for cultural and nationhood purposes.



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MEDIA RELEASE FORM

I, _____, grant permission to North Island Métis, hereinafter known as the “Media” to use my image (photographs and/or video) for use in Media publications, including but not limited to, videos, emails, newsletters, NIMA’s website and social media.

I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the finished photographs or electronic matter that may be used in conjunction with them now or in the future, whether that use is known to me or unknown, and I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising from or related to the use of the image.

Please **initial** the paragraph below which is applicable to your present situation:

_____ - I am 16 years of age or older and I am competent to contract in my own name. I have read this release before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning and impact of this release. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this release by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this release.

_____ - I am the parent or legal guardian of the below named child. I have read this release before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning and impact of this release. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this release by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this release.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

Signature of parent or legal guardian: _____
(if under 16 years of age)



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CONSENT TO RELEASE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(Completed form with signature is required)

I understand the contents of my North Island Métis Association membership application are confidential. All personal information is protected by the Personal Information and Privacy Act (PIPA) and may not be released to any individual, body or organization without my written or verbal consent.

I hereby authorize North Island Métis Association to store in hard and/or electronic copy the following contents of my North Island Métis Association application file:

- ❖ Individual Membership Application form, which includes the following information:
 - Name
 - Address
 - Phone number
 - Email address
 - Signature
- ❖ Consent to Release Confidential Information form
- ❖ Any supporting genealogical documentation
- ❖ Photograph
- ❖ Birth certificate
- ❖ Identification document (MNBC card or BC Driver's license)
- ❖ Correspondence pertaining to my application
- ❖ Application checklist
- ❖ Contact log

I hereby authorize North Island Métis Association to use the information contained in my North Island Métis Association application file for the following purposes:

- ❖ North Island Métis Association AGM voter lists
- ❖ Verification of Métis Nation BC Citizenship
- ❖ Use of my residential address, email address and/or phone number for the purpose of receiving chartered Métis community updates, meeting notifications, events and program opportunities



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I understand all information in regard to my application will be retained by the North Island Métis Association unless I provide written instructions to destroy and/or return all information I have submitted.

Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If citizen is under 16 years of age:

Name of parent or legal guardian (please print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Witness (must be 19 years+) (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____