

DISABILITY TRAVEL CARD™ APPLICATION FORM



Easter Seals Canada and its members and/or affiliates are authorized to approve reduced fare tickets allowing persons with permanent disabilities to travel with an attendant* on the lines of Motor Coach Companies that participate in the reduced fare plan, and Via Rail.

The **Disability Travel Card™** provides identification to a person with a permanent disability, which will allow an adult attendant, travelling with the person with a disability, to travel at no cost.

Reduced fares will be granted to the person with a permanent disability, unable to travel alone, (regardless of age) and accompanied by an adult attendant, if such person with a disability has received authorization from Easter Seals Canada or one of its designated affiliated members.

Only persons with a permanent disability who require a support person when traveling can apply for the card. The applicant must agree to follow the **Terms and Conditions** for use of the card.

* An attendant is an individual who accompanies a person with a permanent disability who cannot travel independently. An attendant will provide that person with required services that are not normally provided by a vehicle operator. These services include assisting the person with eating, administering medication and using the facilities in an on-board washroom or a washroom at a stop.

The application for the **Disability Travel Card™** must be verified by a Registered Health Care Provider (see Section B: Health Care Provider Information). The applicant must be a client/patient of the authorizing health care provider.

Terms and Conditions

- a) The person with a permanent disability and the adult attendant must travel together for the entire trip.
- b) The adult attendant must be capable of assisting the person with a permanent disability.
- c) The person with a disability will make application to Easter Seals Canada or its designated affiliates by having completed the Application of Eligibility form. Upon approval of the Application of Eligibility by Easter Seals Canada or one of its designated affiliates an identification card will be issued authorizing the reduced fare.

NOTE: Ticket fares will be based on REGULAR FARES and are not applicable on any excursion fares, unlimited travel tickets or through to the United States. This card cannot be used in conjunction with clergy, Blind and Escort or other reduced fares or programs.

BAGGAGE: Collapsible non-motorized wheelchairs and other aids will be accepted as Baggage.

GENERAL INFORMATION TO NOTE:

- ❖ The identification card must be returned to the issuing office and replaced with a new one if the eligible person changes his/her name or address
- ❖ **AIR TRAVEL:** Contact the airlines directly regarding their reduced fare program and criteria

REDUCED BUS AND RAIL TRAVEL FARE

A person with a disability accompanied by an adult attendant may travel for a reduced fare on any participating Canadian coach operators or Via Rail.

The purpose of the reduced fare is to make it easier for people with disabilities to travel. It is not intended to restrict or hamper the travel of individuals with disabilities who do not require the services of an attendant.

In offering to establish a reduced fare for people with disabilities Easter Seals Canada's member agencies provide an Application and Disability Travel Card™ to those persons eligible.

<u>SECTION A: PERSONAL INFORMATION</u>	PLEASE PRINT
Applicant's Name: _____	
Address : _____	
City: _____	Province: _____
Postal Code: _____	
Telephone: () _____	Email: _____
 PRIVACY: Easter Seals Canada is committed to protecting the privacy, confidentiality, accuracy, and security of any personal information that we collect, use, retain, and disclose in the course of the services we offer.	
I hereby certify that I have read and understood all the terms and conditions as set forth in the application for the Disability Travel Card™ Card.	
Signature: _____	Date: _____

SECTION B: HEALTH CARE PROVIDER INFORMATION PLEASE PRINT

Name of Authorized Health Care Provider: _____

Registration Number (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: () _____ Email: _____

Does the applicant require an attendant* during travel? Yes No

Please indicate category of Authorized Health Care Provider:

Physician

Nurse

Social Worker

Occupational Therapist

Physiotherapist

Pharmacist

Rehabilitation Counsellor

Audiologist

Other (explain): _____

Before signing below, please ensure that you have read the application form and are satisfied that the applicant fits within the parameters of the Disability Travel Card™ Program.

PRIVACY:

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I hereby certify that the applicant is a person with a disability in accordance with the provisions of the **Disability Travel Card™** application and this applicant is a client/patient of mine.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return this application form to:

SMD Foundation

401- 825 Sherbrook St.

Winnipeg, MB R3A 1M5

Tel: (204) 975-3108

Toll Free: 1-866-282 8041

Fax: (204) 975-3011

www.smd.mb.ca

Disability Travel Card™ Partners

Additional application forms are available from all partner organizations.

The British Columbia Lions Society For Children with Disabilities

3981 Oak Street
Vancouver, BC
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Tel : (604) 873-1865
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www.lionsbc.ca

Alberta Easter Seals

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Calgary AB
T2E 7L4
Tel: (403) 235-5662
Fax: (403) 248-1716
www.easterseals.ab.ca

Saskatchewan Abilities Council

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Saskatoon, SK
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Tel: (306) 374-4448
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The Easter Seal Society of Newfoundland & Labrador

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Alternate Formats Are Available Upon Request.