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If you are a permanent resident and thinking of travelling outside Canada,

you need a valid permanent resident card to return to Canada.

Check the expiry date on your card.

Every Canadian permanent resident needs a valid permanent resident card (PR card) to return to Canada by commercial carrier – plane, bus, train or boat. The PR card provides proof of your immigration status. Without it, you won't be allowed to board the carrier back to Canada. Canadian citizens don't need a PR card.

The PR card is valid for five years. **CHECK THE EXPIRY DATE AND APPLY FOR A NEW ONE AT LEAST TWO MONTHS BEFORE YOU TRAVEL.**

For more information and current application processing times:

visit www.cic.gc.ca

or call **1-888-242-2100**

(in Canada only)

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