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## **COMMUNIQUE TO NISGA'A CITIZENS**

### **Update on Status Cards for Nisga'a Citizens**

Nisga'a citizens who have status may now apply for new status cards.

Status cards issued to date have a statement, in small print, that the holder of the card is not entitled to the tax exemption in section 87 of the *Indian Act*. As a result, Nisga'a citizens who wish to take advantage of their section 87 tax exemption must apply for new status cards.

Nisga'a citizens who have status will have the benefit of the tax exemption under section 87 of the *Indian Act* when making purchases on reserve or former reserve, starting January 1, 2024, but will need a new status card to show to the retailer to take advantage of the tax exemption.

Nisga'a citizens may apply for a new status card through their Nisga'a Village Government, or may apply directly to Indigenous Services Canada.

Nisga'a Lisims Government has no involvement in producing status cards. Please do not contact Nisga'a Lisims Government for help in applying for a new status card.

#### **Nisga'a Village Status Card Application Administrators:**

<b>Nisga'a Village</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Address and Phone:</b>
<b>New Aiyansh</b>	Sherry Wright	5200 Skateen Avenue New Aiyansh, BC V0J 1A0 Tel: 250 633 3100
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<b>Laxgalts'ap</b>	Teresa Yeomans <i>(Fridays only)</i>	416 North Road Laxgalts'ap, BC V0J 1X0 Tel: 250 621 3212
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**Applying at Indigenous Service Canada:**

While Nisga'a citizens are encouraged to process their status card applications at the Nisga'a Village with which they originate, you may also apply at Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). Further information for applying at ISC may be found by scanning the QR code below.

**TO APPLY FOR YOUR STATUS CARD**

You may apply for the SCIS by mailing your application. For more information, scan the QR code or visit [canada.ca/indian-status-card](https://canada.ca/indian-status-card)



ISC -states If you encounter an issue with acceptance of your status card, please call **1-800-567-9604** for Certificate of Indian Status Cards. They can confirm the validity of your card.