## Passport Program Changes Effective April 1, 2023





#### **NEW**

# Community Participation Support Supplies and Equipment

You will be able to submit eligible expenses up to a maximum of \$2000 per fiscal year for **supplies and equipment** to support both organized and general social, leisure and cultural activities, such as:

- · sports and recreation
- fitness
- · arts and crafts
- learning
- skills development

Repairs and maintenance for admissible items, including supplies and services (bike tune-up, etc.), **Sensory items**, and consumable **Personal Protective Equipment** will also be eligible under this new category!

For more details about how you can spend your Passport funding, check the guidelines at: <a href="mailto:ontario.ca/page/passport-program-guidelines">ontario.ca/page/passport-program-guidelines</a>



#### **NEW**

#### **Technology**

You will be able to submit eligible **technology** goods and services up to a maximum of \$3000 per fiscal year. What's **not** admissible?

- gaming consoles, video games, software, hardware, accessories, and virtual reality systems
- gaming apps and subscription services, including in-game and inapp purchases (Xbox Live, PlayStation Plus, etc.)
- TV, streaming and subscription services (Netflix, Disney+, Roku, Spotify, etc.)
- Cancellation fees

#### **IMPORTANT**

You should review your Passport expenses to identify any recurring charges that will no longer be admissible as of April 1, 2023.

Existing streaming and subscription fees will be reimbursed up to May 31, 2023.
Claims will be included in the Technology annual maximum amount. Cancellation fees for these expenses are not admissible.

#### Please check the Passport guidelines for more details.

The April 2023 guidelines can be found on the Ontario government website at <a href="https://ontario.ca/page/passport-program-guidelines">ontario.ca/page/passport-program-guidelines</a>.

Additional resources, including tip sheets and videos, are available on the Passport website at <u>passportfunding.ca</u>.



#### **CHANGE**

## Return to pre-COVID rules for some expenses

The following types of expenses will return to pre-COVID rules and will **no longer** be admissible under Passport as of

### **April 1, 2023**:

- Behavioural Interventions
- Essential Service
   Delivery Fees



#### **NEW**

### New Passport Claim Form

A new Passport claim form will be in effect starting **April 1, 2023**.

If you file your claim
electronically, both MDP
and eCLAIM are updated
automatically, and you don't
need to do anything extra. You
can sign up at: mydirectplan.com
or eclaim.passportone.com

If you cannot submit claims electronically, please contact your Passport agency to request your updated personalized claim form.