

FAQs regarding elimination of the Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) card – For distribution to Phone Operations
(formerly CEC), Public Enquiries Contact Centre (PECC), all Processing Units and Regional Offices
New August 2021

IMPORTANT NOTICE :

For any questions related to:

- Registration under the *Indian Act*;
- Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS);
- Certificate of Indian Status (CIS);
- Temporary Confirmation of Registration Document (TCRD);
- Application forms;
- Processing times; and
- Regional offices; etc.

Please see [FAQs Regarding Registration and Secure Certificate of Indian Status \(SCIS\)](#).

Question	Answer	Who	Follow-Up Required
1. I was made aware that Alberta is eliminating the Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) card. When does this come into effect?	Effective Monday, October 4, 2021 , the Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) card, which is used as proof of eligibility for tax-exempt purchases from authorized, on-reserve retailers, will no longer be accepted at the point of sale from service providers. The only accepted proof of eligibility for tax-exempt purchases made on reserve in Alberta will be the Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS), Certificate of Indian Status card (CIS) or Temporary Confirmation of Registration Document (TCRD). Any versions of the status card will be accepted, including expired cards, as proof of registration under the <i>Indian Act</i> .	CEC/PECC	No follow-up required.
2. Why is Alberta eliminating the Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) card?	In order to remove barriers for First Nations people and reduce unnecessary processes through Alberta's red tape reduction initiative, the Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) card issued by the Government of Alberta is being eliminated. The benefit is staying in place. Effective October 4, 2021, eligible individuals entitled to purchase fuel, tobacco and accommodation exempt from tax on Alberta reserves must present the Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS), Certificate of Indian Status card (CIS) or Temporary Confirmation of Registration Document (TCRD). Any version of the status card will be accepted, including expired cards, as proof of registration	CEC/PECC	No follow-up required.

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	<p>under the <i>Indian Act</i>.</p> <p>For more information, visit www.alberta.ca or contact the Tax and Revenue Administration at the Province of Alberta, available Monday to Friday, 8:15 am until 4:30 pm Mountain time:</p> <p>Phone: 780-427-3044 Toll free: 310-0000 before the phone number (in Alberta) Email: tra.revenue@gov.ab.ca</p>		
<p>3. If my Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) card is no longer being accepted by service providers, what do I do with it?</p>	<p>Per Government of Alberta guidance, your Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) card should be destroyed after October 4, 2021, as service providers will no longer be accepting the card after this date.</p>	<p>CEC/PECC</p>	<p>No follow-up required.</p>
<p>4. I have specific questions about my Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) card and its discontinuation, who can I speak to about this?</p>	<p>For enquiries related to the Alberta Indian Tax Exemption (AITE) or its discontinuation, visit www.alberta.ca or contact the Tax and Revenue Administration at the Province of Alberta, available Monday to Friday, 8:15 am until 4:30 pm Mountain time:</p> <p>Phone: 780-427-3044 Toll free: 310-0000 before the phone number (in Alberta) Email: tra.revenue@gov.ab.ca</p>	<p>CEC/PECC</p>	<p>No follow-up required.</p>