

The Québec Refundable Tax Credit for Child Care Expenses

The Quebec Refundable Tax Credit for Child Care Expenses is a refundable tax credit that subsidizes childcare expenses. You can claim this tax credit for childcare expenses every taxation year on your income tax returns. Examples of expenses that qualify are babysitting, schooling, medical expenses, educational workshops, and camps. For a full list of all the expenses that qualify for the tax credit, please consult the list [here](#).

For more information on the Tax Credit for Child Care Expenses, please refer to Revenue Quebec [here](#).

The Quebec Refundable Tax Credit for Child Care Expenses Application Process

Confirm Your Eligibility

You are eligible for the Refundable Tax Credit for Child Care Expenses if:

- You were a resident in Québec that taxation year; or a resident in Canada carrying out business in Québec during that year;
- You or your spouse paid the childcare expenses;
- The childcare expenses were paid for an eligible child who was living with you (or with your spouse) at the time the expenses were incurred.

For a full list of eligibility requirements, please consult page 6 of this [helpful document](#).

Confirm Your Child's Eligibility

To be eligible for this tax credit, your child must, during the taxation year, have been:

- No older than 16;
- The child for whom you are making the claim did not have an income over \$10,306 (2018, updates annually) during the tax year.

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Applying For the Child Care Tax Credit

To claim the tax credit, you must file an income tax return and complete Schedule C of the tax form. You are not required to submit your RL-24 slip for child expenses although it is recommended you keep it just in case it is asked for in the future.

How to Apply For the Tax Credit to be Paid in Advance

You can receive advance payments of the tax credit for childcare expenses instead of claiming the tax credit when you file your income tax return. To receive advance payments of the tax credit for the year, you must file an application for advance payments, found [here](#). You can apply online or by mail.

You must submit the forms and requested documents no later than October 15 of the year for which the application is made.

A helpful document that outlines the tax credit in full can be found [here](#)

Approval

If approved, your tax credit will be applied to your income tax return

Rejected

If rejected, it will be shown on your Notice of Returns for your Tax Forms. You have the ability to file a Notice of Objection within 90 days of your notice of assessment or notice of determination. More information on how to file an objection can be found [here](#).

Reapply Annually

To continue accessing the Quebec Childcare Benefit, you must apply every year through your taxes.