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## Yukon Business Nominee Program

### The Process and Time Frame

**Step One:** Review the information on the Yukon government website ([www.immigration.gov.yk.ca/ynp\\_overview.html](http://www.immigration.gov.yk.ca/ynp_overview.html)). If you meet the criteria, have made the necessary visit to Yukon, and had an interview with Department of Economic Development officials or you plan to do so, please submit an application.

**Step Two:** The application is reviewed to ensure that it meets basic criteria. The initial review may take up to one week. If the application is complete, it is then submitted to a business review committee for review and recommendation. It may then take two to four weeks to arrange for a meeting of the business committee.

**Step Three:** If the business review committee approves the business concept for Yukon, it requests that the applicant provide detailed supporting documentation and submit a detailed business plan following a standard business plan format. Information on how to prepare a business plan may be found on the Internet or in bookstores. The Canada Yukon Business Service Centre is also an excellent resource on preparing business plans ([www.canadabusiness.ca/yukon](http://www.canadabusiness.ca/yukon)).

The length of time to prepare a business plan is determined by the applicant.

**Step Four:** When the business plan and supporting documentation are received, the business review committee reviews it. If the committee approves the detailed business plan and supporting documentation, and if you have already visited Yukon and had your interview, the Yukon government will recommend that the Government of Canada issue a two-year temporary residence visa to the applicant. The applicant will complete the Government of Canada application for a temporary resident visa. Detailed information is available on the Citizenship and Immigration Canada website ([www.cic.gc.ca](http://www.cic.gc.ca)).

It will take from two to four weeks to arrange a second meeting of the business review committee. The length of time for the Government of Canada to process an application for the temporary residence visa varies from two to twelve months depending upon which embassy is processing the information. For more information, contact the Canadian Embassy that processes your visa application.

**Step Five:** When you arrive in Yukon, you have up to two years to develop your business as described in your business plan. A representative of the Yukon government will meet with you from time to time. If you are making substantial progress developing your business, even before completion of two years, the Yukon government will issue a nominee certificate to the Government of Canada to start the process leading to permanent resident status. Again, the length of time varies and the embassy can provide information on the processing time.