

## DNA TESTING FOR IMMIGRATION

DNA testing may be used to verify a biological relationship between individuals and is often used to support an application to immigrate to Canada. Wyndham Forensic Group (Wfg) is accredited by the Standards Council of Canada (SCC) and is recognized by Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) to perform DNA testing for immigration purposes.

## **PROCEDURE**

1-855-278-4377 (toll free).

- 2. Wfg will send an email containing our Relationship DNA Test Submission Form, available in English and French, as well as information about how to pay. Alternatively, you can find the Relationship DNA Test Submission Forms (FW-ADM-58 & FW-ADM-59) on our website.
- 3. The client will need to provide the completed Relationship DNA Test Submission Form as well as a copy of the letter they received from CIC, which states the relationship(s) to be verified.
- 4. Remit your payment; an invoice will be emailed to you. Payment options include the use of a secure online site, an e-transfer, a bank transfer, or you may provide credit card information to us over the phone.
- 5. Wfg will notify the appropriate CIC office or Embassy to advise them that testing is in process. Wfg will facilitate the collections for each participant in Canada. Canadian Immigration officials will facilitate and attend any DNA collection appointment outside of Canada. You will be advised by the Canadian Immigration officials of specific instructions for each collection outside of Canada, as different Embassies/Consulates have different requirements.
- 6. DNA samples will be collected from each applicant and will be securely transported to our facility for testing. All DNA donors are required to bring with them the following items when they have their samples collected: 2 passport sized photos, 2 forms of government issued identification and a photocopy of their passport.
- Once all the DNA samples have arrived at our laboratory, it will take approximately 3-5 business
  days to report your results. A copy of the report will be issued to the client and to the appropriate
  Immigration Office/Consulate/Embassy.

## **Notes**

- 1 Please note that there is a fee for missed DNA collection appointments without advance notice.
- 2 Please check with the Embassy or Consulate that makes the arrangements for DNA collection appointments outside of Canada. There may be additional fees for applicants outside of Canada as these collections are not the responsibility of Wfg and we are not affiliated with the CIC collection clinics outside of Canada.
- 3 Any additional persons other than the client and Immigration who the client would like a copy of the report sent to must include their information on the Relationship DNA Test Submission Form (FW-ADM-58 or FW-ADM-59).

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