

General notice to CPA and ACCA members

The existing MRA between the Canadian CPA profession and ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) expires April 30, 2021 by the end of the business day.

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their complete application is received by the appropriate CPA provincial body by the end of the business day on April 30, 2021. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that third parties are given sufficient time and notice to send documentation to the appropriate CPA provincial body by April 30, 2021. Applications with outstanding requirements, any missing documentation or documentation in transit may not be considered.

Background

The CGA Provincial Bodies and CGA Canada signed the existing Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) with ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) in 2011. Upon unification of Canada's three individual accounting bodies in 2014, the commitments of each CGA body who was party to the agreement was transitioned to the new CPA body for that jurisdiction. With the exceptions of CPA Bermuda, which did not have a legacy CGA body, and CPA Quebec, which gave notice of termination to the ACCA on October 17, 2012, the new CPA bodies continued to honor the agreement. On April 8, 2020, CPA Canada sent ACCA a notice of termination of the MRA to terminate the MRA effective April 30, 2021. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact member.services@cpacanada.ca.

How to become a CPA, CGA member Under the ACCA Mutual Recognition Agreement

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Fully completed applications for membership under the MRA must be received by the applicable body by the end of the business day on April 30, 2021. Another 12 months will be provided to process completed applications. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their complete application is received by the appropriate CPA provincial body by April 30, 2021. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that third parties are given sufficient time and notice to send documentation to the appropriate CPA provincial body by April 30, 2021.

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