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Kahnawake Residency Law (KRL) Frequently Asked Questions

Why is there a Residency Law?

Community members who participated in the Community Decision Making Process (CDMP) to amend the Kanienkehaka of Kahnawake Law (KKL) requested that residency, although automatically linked to recognition on the Kahnawake Kanienkehaka Registry (KKR), should be a separate law and permits should be available to those not on the KKR.

How do I know if I'm on the KKR?

Call the Office of the Kanienkehaka of Kahnawake (OKKR) at 450.638.0500 and you will be asked your name and date of birth to determine whether you are on the KKR?

What if I'm not on the KKR?

An application can be made for one of the following;

- ~ Recognition on the KKR
- An Approved Kahnawake Resident
- A Residency Permit
- A Work/Education Permit
- A Humanitarian Permit

What if I'm adopted or someone in my lineage is adopted?

This information must be declared, and the Registrar will contact you.

Is there a cost to apply?

Yes, all applications have a cost except the Approved Kahnawake Resident which has no charge for the first year. In addition, applications for any of the permit types require Criminal Background checks at a cost.

What if my application for recognition on the KKR is denied?

You have the option to apply to the KRL as an Approved Kahnawake Resident or for one of the permit categories.

What if my application to the KRL in any category is denied?

At that time, you will not have permission to reside on the Territory.

When will applications be available?

Applications for the KKR have been available since 2019 and applications for the KRL will be available beginning June 22, 2021 at the OKKR office located at the Kahnawake Services Complex.

As covid~19 restrictions remain in place, please call 450.638.0500 to make an appointment to pick up the application of your choice.

Where can I find more information?

Check out kahnawakemakingdecisions.com/residency or call the OKKR at 450.638.0500