# **DOCUMENTATION GUIDELINES**

Request to be Admitted as Regular Members of the Association des Acadiens-Métis Souriquois (AAMS) Your genealogy should be obtained first to determine what certificates are needed.

#### Cards can take up to two months.

If you need proof of membership before cards arrive, we can forward you a letter at your request.

# **Genealogical References**

## • Genealogy Assistance (Indigenous Connection):

For people from South-Western Nova Scotia with Acadian Ancestors: If you wish to have your Acadiens-Métis genealogy done, see an employee of the *Centre Acadien* (address below) or *Musée des Acadiens des Pubnicos* (address below). The Centre and Musée have an extensive database that is limited to the recent Acadian ancestries of people from South-Western Nova Scotia, but also distant Acadian ancestors from early Acadie (pre-deportation), used to certify the accuracy of the research. As of 2024, the Centre acadien no longer processes genealogy requests nor delivers any genealogical proof or certificate. However, its database is now online and freely accessible by creating an account to anyone willing to conduct their own research. Here is the link to the database and a guideline: https:// genealogie.usainteanne.ca/index.php?route=%2Flogin&url=

**Centre Acadien:** Université Sainte-Anne, 1695 Hwy 1, Church Point, Nova Scotia BOW 1M0 Phone 902-769-2114 ext. 7204 | Fax 902-769-0063 | Email: centre.acadien@usainteanne.ca. **Musée des Acadiens des Pubnicos**: 898 Hwy 335, PO Box 92, West Pubnico, Nova Scotia BOW 3S0 Phone (902) 762-3380 | Email musee.acadien@ns.sympatico.ca.

**Note:** The records of these organizations may not always go back to the generation of an Indigenous ancestor that is accepted by AAMS. In such cases, historical references will be used by the AAMS Genealogy Committee to make the Indigenous connection for you.

## • Self-generated Genealogy (Indigenous Connection)

If you wish to do your own Acadiens-Métis genealogy, the following will assist you: Argyle Township Court House Archives: 8162 Highway 3, PO Box 101, Tusket, Nova Scotia BOW 3MO Phone 902-648-2493 | Fax 902-648-2537 | Email atcha\_tusket@hotmail.com. Any other qualified university, society, association, library, or the Internet

## • Long Form Birth Certificate or Baptismal Certificate

Required to certify your connection and your parent(s) connection to your genealogical references.

**Baptismal Certificates:** obtained from the church parish where you and your parent(s) were baptized. **Applicants from Nova Scotia:** If baptismal certificates are not available, you can apply for **Long-Form Birth Certificates** from:

**Vital Statistics**, 300 Horseshoe Lake Dr, Halifax, NS. Bayers Lake Business Park B3S 0B7 Mailing: PO Box 157, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3J 2M9 | Phone (toll free within N.S.) 1-877-848-2578 Fax 902-424-4143 | Email: vstat@novascotia.ca

Application forms for certificates can be printed out from Service Nova Scotia, Vital Statistics at: www.accessns.ca or you can apply online.

#### **AAMS Genealogy Committee**

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