

Classic Tax Free Savings Account Application



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Account No. _____ (office use only)

PART 1: HOLDER INFORMATION

Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr.

Last Name		First Name	Social Insurance Number	
Address				Date of Birth (YYYY/MM/DD)
City	Province	Postal Code	Email	
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Business Phone		

PART 2: SUCCESSOR HOLDER/BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

The designation of a successor holder/beneficiary of this Arrangement is subject to the laws of the applicable jurisdiction. If the applicable laws do not permit such a designation, it may be made only in your will (or, in Quebec, a marriage contract). If the applicable laws permit such a designation, the following applies.

Select all applicable options:

I hereby appoint my Spouse*, if living at the time of my death, to be the successor holder, survivor under my Arrangement and to acquire all of my rights as the holder of the Arrangement, and the unconditional right to revoke any beneficiary designation made.
I reserve the right to revoke this designation.

Spouse's Name _____ Spouse's Social Insurance Number _____

I hereby designate the following person as the beneficiary designated to receive the proceeds of the Arrangement if living at the time of my death. I reserve the right to revoke this designation.
Note: A Beneficiary Designation should only be completed if you have not designated a Successor Holder or you have designated a Successor Holder and also want to designate another person to receive the proceeds of your Arrangement in the event your Successor Holder predeceases you.

Last Name	First Name	Relationship	
Address	City	Province	Postal Code

Your designation above will not be automatically revoked or changed as a result of any future marriage or divorce.

*Spouse refers to a person recognized as your Spouse or common-law partner for the purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada).

PART 3: INVESTMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Product Type: Guaranteed Investment Certificate Short Term Deposit
 Cashable GIC Cash Savings

Amount: \$ _____ Term: _____ Interest Rate: _____%

Interest Payment: Direct Deposit to Bank Account (attach VOID cheque) Compounded Annually
OR
Source of Funds: Contribution via direct deposit or cheque Transfer from other FI

PART 4: AGENT INFORMATION

I hereby appoint the following person as my agent and direct and authorize CTC to release and provide all and any information concerning my Arrangement to my agent. I further authorize CTC to accept instructions from my agent, signed by me, with respect to the acquisition or disposition of any investment held for my Arrangement and authorize CTC to make all required deposits and withdrawals from the Arrangement for the purpose of carrying out such instructions.

Agent Name	Company	
Email	Telephone Number	License/Agent Number/CTC Agent Code

PART 5: ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the Declaration of Trust attached to this application which governs the Arrangement and I understand that my Arrangement is subject to the provisions therein contained.

I hereby request that Community Trust Company (CTC) as the issuer of the Arrangement to file an election with the Minister of National Revenue to register my qualifying Arrangement as a Tax-Free Savings Account under the Income Tax Act (Canada).

I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to determine and ensure that all investments are, and remain qualified investments for a TFSA under the applicable laws. I acknowledge that I am responsible for any tax consequences under the applicable laws resulting from the acquisition, retention or disposition of any investments.

I acknowledge that CTC does not provide investment advice, nor determine suitability of my investments. I confirm that I am not relying upon the knowledge, expertise or information of CTC or its staff, agents or representatives in making, keeping, administering or disposing of any investments or assets within my Arrangement. I agree that the sole obligation of CTC with respect to the Arrangement shall be to act as bare trustee only.

I acknowledge and agree that only I, as the tax free savings account holder, may contribute to the Arrangement. No contribution receipts will be issued, and contributions are not deductible for income tax purposes. However, income earned in the Arrangement is not subject to income tax, and withdrawals from the Arrangement (of contributions and income) are not subject to income tax.

I further acknowledge and agree that I, as the tax free savings account holder, am responsible for determining my contribution limit for tax free savings account, and for ensuring that I do not exceed the contribution limit. If I over contribute to tax free savings account, I will be subject to a penalty tax on the "excess tax free savings account amount".

I confirm that I am not a "non-resident" of Canada (for income tax purposes). If I become a non-resident of Canada, I acknowledge that any contributions made while I am a non-resident will be subject to a penalty tax.

I acknowledge that I am and continue to be responsible for all decisions, including lawyers, agents, and investments made by me or on my behalf for the Arrangement.

I irrevocably direct CTC to charge to the Arrangement all costs, expenses, charges, judgements or losses or any amounts for which CTC may become liable in connection with or in any way associated with my Arrangement and this shall be your good and sufficient authority to do so. I further acknowledge that in the event there are insufficient assets within my Arrangement to meet any obligation or liability which is attributable to or accrues to CTC, then I agree to indemnify and save harmless CTC from any such liability or amount upon demand.

I expressly agree that all investment directions handled by CTC in connection with the Arrangement shall be at my risk and I hereby indemnify, remise, release and forever discharge CTC, its shareholders, directors, officers, employees, representatives and agents, (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") from any and all claims, liabilities, judgements or amounts, including legal costs and expenses owing or accruing to the Indemnified Parties in any way associated with the Arrangement.

This acknowledgment shall bind my heirs, executors, assigns, trustee and successors.

I acknowledge that the contents of this Acknowledgment have been fully explained to me, that I have been given an opportunity to discuss this with my legal counsel and that I fully understand both the nature and the consequences of this document and that if the document is signed pursuant to a Power of Attorney, I acknowledge that the Power of Attorney is valid, in force and continues to be effective and one upon which CTC may continue to rely upon and to bind me.

I consent to having CTC use the email address that I have supplied herein to communicate with me regarding the status and on-going administration of my Arrangement. I may revoke my consent at any time.

I expressly request that this document and any related instruments be drawn up in the English language. Je demande expressément que la présente formule et tous les documents qui s'y rapportent soient rédigés en anglais.

Holder Signature

Date



Community Trust Company

Privacy Statement

Community Trust respects your privacy and is committed to protecting your personal information. Our Privacy Policy (communitytrust.com/privacy-policy/) contains information about our safeguards and practices, including how and why we may collect, use, and disclose your personal information. If you have any questions or concerns about the contents of our Privacy Policy, or would like to speak to a member of our team about your personal information rights, please email our Privacy Office at privacy@communitytrust.com.

Establishment of the Arrangement:

Community Trust Company, a trust company existing under the laws of Canada with its head office in the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario (hereinafter referred to as the 'Trustee'), hereby declares that it accepts the office of the Trustee for the individual named in the application on the face hereof (the "Holder") for the Community Trust Company Classic Tax Free Savings Account, ("the Arrangement") and undertakes to administer the Arrangement for the Holder in accordance with the Income Tax Act (Canada), subject to the following terms and conditions. The ultimate responsibility for administering the Arrangement lies with the Issuer.

1. Definition of Terms

"Agent" – means any person who is the duly appointed agent of the Holder with limited authority to act on behalf of the Holder in connection with investment instructions for the Arrangement and who is named in a written certificate of agent's authority, in form acceptable to the Trustee, signed by the Holder and delivered to the Trustee, which certificate shall include a specimen of the agent's signature and which certificate has not been revoked by written notice of revocation delivered by the Holder to the Trustee.

"Application" – means the duly completed and signed application form that is attached to and forms part of this Declaration of Trust.

"Applicable Tax Legislation" – means the Income Tax Act (Canada) and any applicable provincial income tax legislation, as amended from time to time.

"Contribution" – any amount (up to the annual limit under the Income Tax Act) paid into your Tax-Free Savings Account (TFSA) by you.

"CTC" – means Community Trust Company.

"Designated Beneficiary" – means any person designated as such by the Holder, by any effective designation of beneficiary delivered with the Application or by any subsequent effective designation of beneficiary.

"Distributions Received" – means all dividends, interest and other distributions received by the Trustee in respect of the Investments.

"Holder" – until your death, is you, and at and after your death, your Successor Holder/Designated Beneficiary.

"Investments" – means security and other investment property from time to time received or acquired and held by the Trustee for the TFSA.

"Investment Instructions" – means written instructions representing the acquisition, purchase, sale, redemption or other disposition of investments, in form acceptable to the Trustee, duly signed and delivered by the Holder, or the Holder's Agent to the Trustee.

"Income Tax Act" – *The Income Tax Act* (Canada), and regulations thereto, both as amended from time to time.

"Spouse" – as recognized in the Income Tax Act as your survivor for the purposes of tax-free savings accounts and/where applicable, incorporates the meaning of the term "common-law partner" as set out in Subsection 248(1) of the Income Tax Act.

"Successor Holder" – your Spouse or common-law partner, the survivor as defined in the Income Tax Act (Canada).

"TFSA" – Tax-Free Savings Account.

"Trustee" – Community Trust Company at its head office in the Province of Ontario, in its capacity as Trustee of the TFSA, ['Issuer' for the purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada)].

"We, our and us" – means Community Trust Company (CTC).

"You and your" – means the customer (Holder) named on the Application.

2. Registration

Pursuant to your request, and subject to you having attained the age of 18, CTC will file your election to register this qualifying Arrangement as a TFSA under the Income Tax Act. For greater certainty, unless the Holder has attained at least 18 years of age at the time that this Arrangement is entered into, it shall not constitute a qualifying Arrangement, as that term is defined in subsection 146.2(1) of the Income Tax Act, susceptible of being registered as a tax-free savings account.

3. Purpose

The purpose of the Arrangement is to accumulate and invest funds for savings. The Arrangement shall be maintained by the Trustee for the sole purpose of investing funds contributed by the Holder. The Arrangement will be maintained for the exclusive benefit of the Holder without regard to any right of a person to receive a payment out of or under the Arrangement only on or after the death of the Holder. The Arrangement prohibits, while there is a holder of the Arrangement, anyone that is

neither the holder nor the issuer of the Arrangement from having rights under the Arrangement relating to the amount and timing of distributions and the investing of funds.

4. Contributions

CTC will only accept contributions made by you and we will hold all contributions made to your Arrangement, and any income earned on these contributions, as outlined in the Declaration of Trust and as required by the Income Tax Act.

5. Investments

The Trustee or its duly appointed agent shall endeavor to invest all cash and property in accordance with Investment Instructions within five business days, or a reasonable time after receipt of such cash and all relevant instructions. Property held in the Arrangement shall be invested and reinvested in such investment options, including Guaranteed Investment Certificates, or Short Term Certificates of Deposit, or Savings Accounts of the Trustee at the then current rate of interest paid by the Trustee. Guaranteed Investment Certificates will be automatically renewed for a one year period, if no instructions are received from the Holder. No amount will be paid out of the Arrangement except as hereinafter expressly provided for.

6. Investment Instructions

Investment instructions shall be in a form acceptable to the Trustee and manually signed by the Holder and witnessed by the Holder's Agent. The Trustee may accept and act upon any Investment Instructions, delivered to it in writing, by facsimile transmission or by any other form of electronic transmission used by the Trustee, which it in good faith believes to be given by the Holder or by the Holder's Agent and shall not be required to verify the validity or appropriateness of the Investment Instructions. Except where an investment is issued by the Trustee or an affiliate of the Trustee, it is the responsibility of the Holder to direct the Trustee to acquire, dispose of or hold any investment made according to Investment Instructions and to determine and ensure that such investment is or remains a qualified investment for the Arrangement and complies with the foreign property rules under the Applicable Tax Legislation. As Trustee, CTC is required under subsection 207.01(5) of the Income Tax Act to exercise the care, diligence and skill of a reasonably prudent person to minimize the possibility that the Arrangement holds or has acquired a non-qualified investment.

7. Records of Statement

The Trustee shall maintain appropriate records and shall send to the Holder a yearly statement showing the transactions and accumulated value of the Arrangement at the end of the preceding calendar year. Unless the Holder notifies the Trustee of any errors or objections within 30 days of the mailing of the statement, the Holder agrees to accept the accuracy and completeness of the statement. CTC will complete the regulatory reporting as required by the Income Tax Act.

8. Withdrawals

Upon receipt of your written instructions, we will refund to you the amount determined in accordance with Paragraph 146.2(2)(d) of the Income Tax Act and in addition, any amount from the TFSA at any time and for any reason as may be permitted by the Income Tax Act.

9. Transfers

Upon receipt of satisfactory written instructions, we will transfer all investments held in your Arrangement, less appropriate charges, or such portion as you direct, together with all information necessary for the continuance of the TFSA, to another TFSA registered in your name, or in the name of your Spouse, or former Spouse, pursuant to a decree, order or judgement of a competent tribunal or a written separation agreement, relating to a division of property between yourself and your Spouse or former Spouse in settlement of rights arising out of your marriage/common-law partnership, on or after the breakdown of your marriage/common-law partnership.

10. Successor Holder and Beneficiary Designation

If you are domiciled in a jurisdiction which by law permits you to validly designate a successor holder or beneficiary for your Arrangement other than by Will, you may designate (a) your Spouse as successor holder or (b) a beneficiary to receive the proceeds of your Arrangement in the event of your death. A beneficiary designation can only be changed or revoked by a written instrument in a form acceptable to the Trustee which adequately identifies this Arrangement and has been signed by the Holder.

11. Death of Account Holder

Upon satisfactory evidence of your death, we will continue to hold the assets of your Arrangement for your surviving spouse, provided he or she is the successor holder of your Arrangement. If your spouse becomes the successor holder of your Arrangement, he or she will acquire all of your obligations and rights as holder of the Arrangement. If your spouse is not the successor holder, we will hold the assets of your Arrangement for payment in a lump sum to your designated beneficiary if that person was living on the date of your death. If you have not designated a beneficiary or if your designated beneficiary predeceases you, the assets of your Arrangement will be paid to your legal representatives less any charges.

12. Fees

The Trustee shall be entitled to charge and receive administrative fees for its services. Such fees shall be in the amount and payable at the time specified in the Trustee's fee schedule, as revised from time to time. The Trustee shall give at least 60 days prior written notice to you of any changes in the amount of such fees. At the Trustee's discretion, administrative fees can be charged to the Arrangement, or directly to you. Any costs and out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Trustee in the administration of the TFSA, including without limitation, bank charges for dishonored payments, security, mortgage, or guaranteed investment certificate transfer, and registration fees, brokerage fees, commissions, legal fees or other professional fees, postage, delivery charges, and any taxes required to be paid by the Arrangement under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) except for taxes that are attributable to the issuer under the *Income Tax Act* and that can't be paid out of the property of the Arrangement or otherwise, shall be charged to the Arrangement. If there is insufficient cash in the Arrangement to cover such fees, the Trustee may realize in its sole discretion, without notice to you, sufficient TFSA assets for cash to provide for payment of all such fees and expenses, including taxes. Any such sale or redemption of TFSA's assets shall be made at such prices as the Trustee may in its sole discretion determine and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any loss occasioned by any such sale or redemption.

13. Minimum Age Requirement

At the time of entering into the Arrangement, you represent that you have attained the minimum age of 18 years as specified in the Tax Act for entering into a TFSA.

14. Proof of Information

You certify the accuracy of all of the information you have given us in your application including your, and if applicable, your spouse's birth date and social insurance number and you agree to give us any further proof that we deem required.

15. Indemnification

You, your spouse and your respective heirs and personal representatives shall indemnify the Trustee or its officers, and employees against all expenses, liabilities, claims, losses and demands of any nature arising out of the holding of the assets of your Arrangement. The Trustee is not responsible for any losses incurred by the Arrangement or for any reduction in the value of the Arrangement except if due to our own negligence, deliberate wrongdoing or lack of good faith.

16. Resignation or Successor Trustee

CTC may resign our duties as Trustee of the Arrangement at any time by delivering 60 days written notice of our resignation to you. In the event of our resignation, you shall appoint a successor trustee who shall be acceptable to us. We shall deliver the property comprised of the investment within the Arrangement and the records relating thereto, and shall execute such deeds and assurances and do such things as may be required in order to ensure the continued and uninterrupted operation of the TFSA. Should you neglect or refuse to appoint a successor trustee who shall be acceptable to us, we reserve the right to transfer assets in specie to you as a withdrawal from your TFSA.

17. Restriction on Borrowing

If the Arrangement is an Arrangement in trust, it prohibits the trust from borrowing money or other property for the purposes of the Arrangement.

18. Amendments

Notwithstanding anything herein before stated, the terms and provisions of this Declaration of Trust may be amended by the Trustee at any time from time to time, provided that such amendments are consistent with the continued registration of the Arrangement under the Applicable Tax Legislation.

19. Notice

Any notice, statement or receipt given by the Trustee to the Holder shall be deemed to be sufficiently given if delivered personally, mailed, postage prepaid, or transmitted electronically to the Holder at the address, telephone number or electronic address set out in the application or at any subsequent address of which the Holder has given notice to the Trustee in writing; and shall be deemed to have been received by the Holder on the day it is delivered, or transmitted or if mailed, the third business day following the day of mailing. Any notice given to the Trustee shall be given by personal delivery or electronic transmission or by mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the Trustee as its head office and shall be deemed to have been given on the day that such notice is received.

20. Binding

The provisions of this Declaration of Trust shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives and assigns of the Holder and upon the successors and assigns of the Trustee.

21. Governing Law

This Declaration of Trust shall be governed, construed, administered and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.