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Good day,
[redacted] **Immigration Representatives Mailbox.**
Please note that this mailbox is intended for general guidance and does not provide responses to case-specific inquiries but have provided the following information as guidance. If you have case specific questions about a file, you are encouraged to submit the IRCC Web form.
Please see our response to your question.
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The Updated temporary public policy for nationals of Iran in Canada as temporary residents (TPP) is intended to support Iranian nationals who arrived in Canada on or before February 28, 2025 and who have maintained their valid temporary resident status. Having said that, the TPP does not stipulate that the foreign national must have continuously remained in Canada since their arrival on or before February 28, 2025.

If an individual first entered Canada on or before February 28, 2025 and holds valid temporary status, they would still be eligible to apply from within Canada under the updated policy, regardless of whether they had left Canada and subsequently re-entered after their original date of entry. An individual applying for a work permit, a work permit renewal, or for a study permit under this TPP must be in Canada with valid temporary resident status at the time of application and when a decision is rendered. Continuous physical presence in Canada is not required to maintain eligibility. In addition to any supporting documents provided by the client with their application, IRCC leverages the Entry/Exit Program with the Canada Border Services Agency to confirm whether clients meet the eligibility criteria of the public policy.

Officers will review these applications on a case-by-case basis to ensure that the applications meet the conditions of the TPP.

For details on how to apply, please see : Situation in Iran: Temporary immigration, passport and citizenship measures - Canada.ca.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

From:
Sent: [redacted] 17, 2025 6:10 PM
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Hello IRCC office,

I am RCIC and have a question about this extended Public Policy for Iranian nationals. The IRCC link is below:

Situation in Iran: Temporary immigration, passport and citizenship measures - Canada.ca

Apply online for an open work permit

Deadline: Submit your application on or before **February 28, 2026**

You can **apply for an open work permit** if you

- are an Iranian national with a valid passport
- * are **in Canada** with valid temporary resident status when
  - you **apply**, and
  - * a **decision is made** on your application
- * arrived in Canada **on or before February 28, 2025**, and
- * meet eligibility and admissibility requirements for an open work permit

Question:

one of the requirements for this extended PP is: *arrived in Canada **on or before February 28, 2025***. Does it refer to **initial** entry or **recent** entry?

Scenario: If an Iranian national in the **past** (**before February 28, 2025)** been admitted and arrived/entered Canada in any status and left [redacted] that person re-enters Canada and **after** February 28, 2025 and still in Canada with valid temporary resident status**, is that person eligible to apply for an open work permit?** I mean this person **once was/arrived** in Canada ***before February 28, 2025 .*** (No doubt that other eligibility criteria should be met as well). The concerned person is neither PR nor Canadian Citizen.

Please clarify it and advise.

Sincerely.