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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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RESPONSE 1
According to IRPR 215(1)(b), students must apply within the period beginning 90 days before the expiry of their authorization to engage in studies in Canada under subsection 30(2) of the Act, or paragraph 188(1)(a) of these Regulations, and ending 90 days after that expiry.

1. 1. **Defining Expiry of Authorization:**
   - * Does the 90-day period start based on:
     - * The expiration date of their authorization to study (e.g., turning 18 for minor children, losing diplomatic exemption status), or
     - * The completion of their current study program (e.g., finishing high school for students previously exempt under section 30(2))?

RESPONSE 2
The 90-day period starts based on the expiration date of their authorization to study. This could be due to turning 18 for minor children, losing diplomatic exemption status, or other factors. It does not start based on the completion of their current study program.

For more detailed information, you can refer to the following IRCC pages:

- * Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations - Section 215
- * Extend your study permit or restore your status: When to apply - Canada.ca
- * Study permit: Who can study without a permit - Canada.ca

We trust that this information will assist you.

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Sent: [redacted] 19, 2025 9:12 PM
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[redacted]
I hope this email finds you well.
[redacted] I am an International Student Advisor at the [redacted]. I am also a Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultant (RCIC) in good standing with CICC [redacted]
I am seeking clarification on the application timeline for students currently studying in Canada under an exemption and transitioning to a study permit under **IRPR 215(1)(b)**.
As per IRPR 215(1)(b):
A foreign national may apply for a study permit after entering Canada if they:
(b) apply within the period beginning **90 days before the expiry** of their authorization to engage in studies in Canada under subsection 30(2) of the Act or paragraph 188(1)(a) of these Regulations, and **ending 90 days after** that expiry.
I would like to confirm the following:

1. 1. **Application Timing:**
    - * The regulation states that students may apply for a study permit within 90 days before or after the expiry of their authorization to engage in studies.
    - * Can students apply earlier than 90 days before their authorization expires, or must they strictly adhere to this window?
2. 2. **Defining Expiry of Authorization:**
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        - * The expiration date of their authorization to study (e.g., turning 18 for minor children, losing diplomatic exemption status), or
        - * The completion of their current study program (e.g., finishing high school for students previously exempt under section 30(2))?

Your guidance on these questions would be greatly appreciated to ensure that students apply at the appropriate time.
[redacted]. I [redacted] to your response.

Kind regards,