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Good day,

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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Clients are not advised to apply for a work permit using the outside Canada process while they are physically inside Canada.

The public policy allowing visitors to apply for work permits from within Canada has ended. As a result, a person who is currently a visitor with legal status in Canada is not eligible to apply for a work permit from within Canada. If a visitor would like to apply for a work permit, they can do so from outside of Canada.

If a client has applied for a work permit using the outside of Canada process, they may receive a letter indicating they letter a Letter (LOI) to entry to Canada to demonstrate the client still meets the requirements of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act,* its Regulations, and any other Canadian legislation.

As announced by the Government of Canada as part of Canada's Border Plan, clients who have received the Letter of Introduction (LOI) while inside Canada cannot flagpole to receive their permit. Clients must leave and re-enter Canada from a country other than United States or St. Pierre and Miquelon to activate their permit.

For reference:
Work permit: After you apply - Canada.ca.
Ending flagpoling for work and study permits at the border - Canada.ca.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

De :
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Objet :

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With the recent end of flagpoling, I was wondering if it is still possible to apply for a "Work Permit from Outside Canada" while an applicant is physically in Canada?

If it is possible, how will the applicant receive an original copy of the Work Permit?

Thank you!