

DEADLINE

Six weeks before your study period ends.

WHAT IS AN APPEAL?

An appeal is the process by which you have the opportunity to request a reconsideration of your assessed award. If you have had an exceptional circumstance that meets one or more of the criteria listed below and you have not received the maximum amount of funding for the application study period, you may submit an appeal request. Once evaluated, the appeal request may result in a change to your StudentAid BC award.

APPEAL CRITERIA

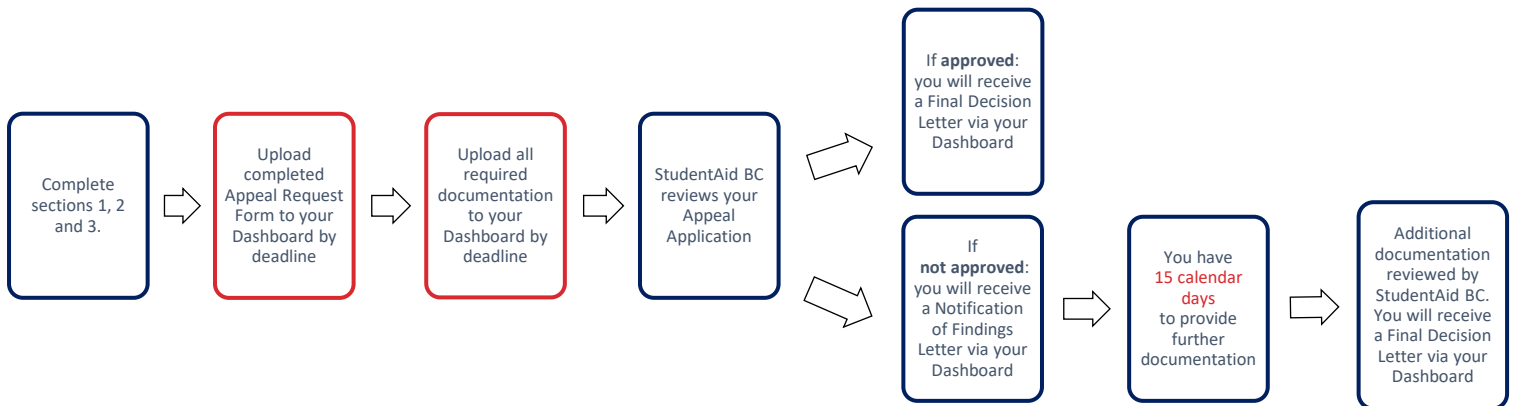
You can submit an appeal to change your classification from a [dependent](#) student to an [independent](#) student if you meet one or more of the following criteria:

- You no longer communicate with your family due to an irreconcilable rift and can provide satisfactory evidence of a severe and permanent breakdown in the relationship between you and your parent(s), such as being disowned. The family rift must have existed for at least one year unless a serious situation has arisen recently.
- You were a youth under the guardian ship of, or in an agreement with, a provincial or territorial child welfare agency on your 19th birthday.

Note: If you incorrectly indicated that you are a modified independent student (meaning there was no rift between you and your parent(s)) on your application, you must upload an [Appendix 7 – Request for Reassessment](#) to your StudentAid BC [Dashboard](#) and your parent(s) must mail an original [Appendix 1 – Parent Information](#) form with an ink signature.

APPEAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Talk to a Financial Aid Officer at your school, they can help you with the appeal process. If you are unable to contact a Financial Aid Officer, contact [StudentAid BC](#).
2. Review the Appeal Criteria.
3. Complete Sections 1, 2 and 3.
4. Upload your completed Appeal Request Form and all required documentation to your StudentAid BC [Dashboard](#).



Appeal Request Form starts on page 2.

SECTION 1 – STUDENT INFORMATION

STUDENT'S SOCIAL INSURANCE NUMBER

STUDENT'S APPLICATION NUMBER

Grid for Social Insurance Number (9 boxes)

Grid for Application Number (10 boxes)

STUDENT'S LAST NAME

Grid for Last Name (20 boxes)

STUDENT'S FIRST NAME

MIDDLE INITIAL

Grid for First Name (15 boxes)

Grid for Middle Initial (2 boxes)

SECTION 2 – REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

You must submit all of the following documentation to your StudentAid BC Dashboard to support your appeal request:

- Checkboxes for required documentation: statement from you, letter from a responsible third party, letter from parent/step-parent/sponsor/legal guardian, letter from appropriate provincial or territorial agency.

YOUR ASSESSMENT WILL BE DELAYED OR DENIED IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION.

SECTION 3 – DECLARATION

By submitting this request for an appeal, I understand that:

- All terms agreed to on my application will remain in force.
• StudentAid BC may consider information from prior applications in my appeal request.

I certify that information provided with this request is accurate and correct.



CHECK MARK

PRINT STUDENT'S FIRST AND LAST NAME

MM/DD/YYYY

Collection and use of information: The information included in this form and authorized above is collected under Sections 26(c) and 26(e) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and under the authority of the Canada Student Financial Assistance Act, R.S.C. 1994, Chapter C-28 and StudentAid BC.

Upload completed Appeal Request Form and all required documentation to your StudentAid BC Dashboard at studentaidbc.ca/dashboard.