

Ref: info request 1.1 [a copy of the practices policies procedures that relates to the transfer of **[International]** electronic transferring of money out of Canada in relation to FMEP court order for child maintenance payments or (voluntary)]

Response:

4.20.1 (Sending and Receiving SWIFT Payments) of the FMEP policy manual:

Policy Statement:

Where an international reciprocating jurisdiction requires payments to be sent and received electronically, FMEP will send and receive payments using SWIFT which is a type of international money transfer.

Policy Purpose / Rationale:

- To comply with another jurisdiction's payment policy and to ensure recipients receive payments.

Policy Considerations:

- Because there is a cost associated with each SWIFT transaction, payments for the reciprocating jurisdiction will be released monthly.
- Where there are payments for more than one case, the payments will be rolled up and one payment will be sent by SWIFT. A payment advice will be supplied to the reciprocating jurisdiction providing the breakdown.
- Although FMEP will not charge a recipient for processing a SWIFT payment, it is beyond our control if the other reciprocating jurisdiction takes the transaction fee from the payment.

Ref: info request 1.2 [copy of practices policies procedures in relating to the general public's rights to request information also copy of the practices policies procedures of duty of staff in relation to giving false or misleading information.

Response:

1. The public have the right to make a request for information per the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Procedures and instructions can be found on the following government website:
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/about-the-bc-government/open-government/open-information/freedom-of-information>

2. Per the BC Government's Standards of Conduct:

Service to the Public: BC Public Service employees must provide service to the public in a manner that is courteous, professional, equitable, efficient, and effective. Employees must be sensitive and responsive to the changing needs, expectations, and rights of a diverse public in the proper performance of their duties.

Ref: info request 2 [provide me a copy of the change of convention /agreement between Canada and UK-NI showing the new amendments to ISO agree between all parties] a copy of original agreements has been provided for reference also showing court order enforcement act and the index showing reciprocal enforcement act and indicating UK treaty and Canada schedule 4 and a copy of schedule 4 to show it is written in to your laws
See:

Response:

No records apply. The agreement provided by the applicant does not apply to family law applications for support.

Ref: info request 3 [a copy of practices policies and procedures in relation to the change from reciprocal enforcement to inter-jurisdictional support order act] this is different request than number 1 as if no agreement had been made between Canada UK Ireland in relation to the treaty and Canada has unofficially changed its practices policies and procedures without notifying United Kingdom Northern Ireland there would be some written documentation in relating to the internal policies of the court practices policies and procedures enforcement of maintenance applications from abroad(**if unclear please ask**).

Response:

There has been no change to BC's policies and procedures of administering applications under the *Interjurisdictional Support Orders (ISO) Act* since 2003. The applications are not administered under a treaty. BC has added a case management component to assist clients and the court in the administration of applications.

Ref: info request 4[a copy of legislation other than provided. that allows a judge to let strangers in to the case, allowed to hear the case, and applicants and children to the case are excluded] as there has not been any formal notification of exclusion or as stated in 3(3)(a-c) as the application is mine and the children's, with no directions the judge in how, i (jeopardise the best interest of a child) (prejudice the interest of adult) (interfere with administration of justice) actually the contrary exists. Absence of any order or directions from the judge the must be another form of legislation allowing strangers to hear the case but not the applicant

Response:

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Options for the judge

(3) The judge at the first appearance or any subsequent appearance may do one or more of the following:

[. . .]

(k) make any other order or give any direction that the judge considers appropriate.

2. Rule 20(8) of the Provincial Court (Family) Rules:

Judge may give directions

(8) A judge may give directions on any procedural matter that is not provided for in these rules or an enactment.

Ref: info request 5 [copies of practices policies procedures legislation governing attending a Court hearing by phone by denying hearing by phone excluding a parent child from proceedings] Contrary to provincial court act [RS BC 1996] chapter 379 3 (3 a-c)

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Ref: info request 6 [practices policies procedures court rules legislation disallowing international convention legislation governing (applicants) not being informed of the court hearing date]

Response:

No records available to respond to this request. The *Interjurisdictional Support Order (ISO) Act* governs applications from reciprocating jurisdictions to BC courts. There is no international convention legislation that governs family law applications to BC courts.

Ref: info request 6.1 [rules and regulations laws court practices on notifying applicants of court date hearing]

Response:

The ISO Act does not require notice to applicants of court hearing dates.