

## **BMO Bank Account Opening**

## Opening a BMO bank account

Esk'etemc and BMO recognize that there are some Esk'etemc members who require assistance with opening a bank account so that they can receive their Tsqewt per capita distribution payment. This document will provide information on how you can get the process started, as there are various options available depending on your circumstances.

## Opening a personal deposit account

Typically, you'll need:

- One piece of valid photo ID containing a photo which clearly shows your face, and is issued by a government agency (for example, Canada, the United States, or other foreign government) or by a province/territory/state level government; or,
- Two documents from a reliable source, one of which indicates your name and address and the other indicates your name and date of birth shown in the list below; or,
- You can also open a personal deposit account if you can provide:
  - 1. any document from a reliable source that indicates your name and date of birth; and,
  - 2. if your identity is also confirmed by:
    - a customer in good standing with BMO Bank of Montreal; or,
    - an individual of good standing in the local community where the BMO branch is located.

You will also be asked to provide your address, occupation and date of birth if it is not included in the identification you present. Identification presented must be valid (not expired), original and not substantially defaced.

If you are an Esk'etemc member who requires extra consideration outside of the above, we can certainly figure out the best way to validate your identity so that you can open a BMO account and receive your Tsqewt distribution payment.

Please send an email to <u>specificclaims@esketemc.ca</u> to request assistance for opening your BMO bank account and a Tsqewt team member will be in touch to get the process started.