

## **The CFU National Press Card and the IFJ International Press Card**

The Canadian Freelance Union offers CFU members who work in public media as journalists, photographers, illustrators, writers and editors access to the International Federation of Journalists' Press Card and the CFU National Press Card.

### ***Canadian Freelance Union National Press Card***

To qualify for the CFU National press card, you must be a Canadian Freelance Union member in good standing. The CFU National Press Card identifies the holder as a professional Canadian freelancer working in public media. It is supported by the CFU for confirmation or accreditation purposes. There is no additional fee for this card.

### ***IFJ International Press Card***

To qualify for the IFJ press card, you must be a Canadian Freelance Union member in good standing. The IFJ card has more international recognition and offers more protection, but it comes with more rigorous requirements and a charge. The card is available through CFU's connections with Unifor.

**To request either (or both) cards, please send an email to the CFU Coordinator that includes:**

1. Confirmation that you are a Canadian citizen or permanent resident (a scan of your passport photo page)
2. Your CFU membership number: (if known)
3. The card(s) you are applying for: National / IFJ
4. Designation requested: (ex: journalist, reporter, photographer, videographer, etc.)
5. A minimum of 3 recent samples of your recent published or broadcast freelance work (links or pdfs). The items must have been distributed via a credible news source and they must be paid pieces.
6. A letter from your editor, or your resumé
7. A high resolution (300dpi) electronic head-shot photo file (passport-style)
8. Your mailing address

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