

## Disability Tax Credit Video #1 Script

If you are wondering “Who is eligible for the Disability Tax Credit?”, then this is the video for you!

All links and videos mentioned can be found in the downloadable script below.

Are you personally living with a disability or caring for a child with a disability? If you are, then you may qualify for the Disability Tax Credit.

If you are caring for a child with a disability, you may also qualify for the monthly Child Disability Benefit.

There are conditions outlined by the Canadian government that must be met in order to be considered for the tax credit, so there are a few questions you need to ask yourself before applying.

The first is, do you have a prolonged or serious impairment to your physical or mental functions?

If you are thinking “What does that mean”, not to worry, we will break it down.

Question A- Has your impairment lasted, or is expected to last at least 12 months in a row?

If you answered no, then unfortunately you may not be eligible at this time.

Question B- Does your impairment significantly affect you all, or most of the time?

If you answered no, then unfortunately you may not be eligible for the tax credit at this time.

If you still think you may be eligible or are not sure if your impairment will last longer than 12 months, make an appointment with your medical professional and bring a form called the “T2201”.

If you answered yes to questions A and B, then you may be eligible. But you must answer yes to at least one of the next 4 questions to be considered.

Question 1- Are you blind or visually impaired as defined by the Canadian government?

Check out the “Vision” video for more information.

**Vision-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/vision-video-alternative-formats-transcript.html>

Question 2- Do you need life sustaining therapy? For example, dialysis, chest physiotherapy or insulin therapy, among others?

Is your therapy needed at least 3 times per week for a minimum average of 14 hours? Check out the “life-sustaining therapy video” for more information.

**Life-Sustaining Therapy-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/life-sustaining-therapy-video-alternative-formats-transcript.html>

Question 3- Are you significantly restricted in at least 1 of the following activities, 90%, or most of the time? Speaking, walking, feeding, hearing, dressing, bowel or bladder functions or mental functioning, like memory, communication, or executive functioning?

Significantly, or markedly as T2201 form says, means that daily activities may take you three times as long, or you may not be able to do them at all, even with therapy, devices and medication. Check out the daily activities video's for more information.

**Speaking-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/speaking.html>

**Hearing-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/hearing.html>

**Walking-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/walking.html>

**Bowel/Bladder-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/eliminating-bowel-bladder-functions.html>

**Feeding-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/feeding.html>

**Dressing-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/dressing.html>

**Mental Functioning-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/mental-functions-necessary-everyday-life.html>

Individuals with FASD may qualify under this category if they are significantly restricted in their mental functioning. Does the individual need high levels of or 24-hour supervision? Do they require academic supports? Do they need assistance with daily tasks, or other operations related to their executive

functioning? If they do, then the individual with FASD may qualify.

Question 4 refers to cumulative effect. To qualify for this category, you must:

- a) be significantly restricted in 2 or more basic activities of daily life (like vision and walking, mental functioning and speaking, etc).
- b) You must also experience these restrictions together 90%, or most of the time, and
- c) daily activities take you 3 times the normal amount of time to do, or you cannot complete them at all.

Check out the “cumulative effect video” for more information.

**Cumulative Effect-** <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/information-medical-practitioners/cumulative-effect-video-alternative-formats-transcript.html>

Did you say yes to question 1, 2, 3 or 4? If you said yes to at least 1 question, then you may qualify for the disability tax credit!

Remember, you must have said yes to question A **and** question B to be eligible.

If you are not sure if your impairment qualifies or you still think you may be eligible, make an appointment with your medical professional and bring the T2201 form to discuss with them.

You can visit [www.fasdNL.ca/DTC](http://www.fasdNL.ca/DTC) for more information, or email us at [contact@fasdNL.ca](mailto:contact@fasdNL.ca)

Check out the next video to find out your next steps and what you need to do before applying for the Disability tax credit.