

This has been Canada's Oath of Citizenship since the Citizenship Act of 1977:

"I swear (or affirm) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, Queen of Canada, Her Heirs and Successors, and that I will faithfully observe the laws of Canada and fulfil my duties as a Canadian citizen."



In 1997, Parliament proposed a new Oath of Citizenship that replaced loyalty to the Queen with loyalty to Canada. The Monarchist League and other lobby groups strongly opposed this change, and a new version was proposed in 1998, as follows:

"From this day forward, I pledge my loyalty and allegiance to Canada and Her Majesty Elizabeth the Second, Queen of Canada. I promise to respect our country's rights and freedoms, to uphold our democratic values, to faithfully observe our laws and fulfill my duties and obligations as a Canadian citizen."



Note: As of December 2006, the Oath of Citizenship has not yet been changed.