

CENTRAL FUND OF CANADA LTD  
Form 6-K  
August 23, 2012

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Form 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For July 31, 2012

**CENTRAL FUND OF CANADA LIMITED**

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**Suite 805, 1323 - 15th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta , Canada T3C 0X8**

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(Address of principal executive office)

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information in this Form is also hereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the *Securities Exchange Act of 1934*.

YES  NO

[If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): N/A]

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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Exhibit to Form 6-K for 3rd Quarter Press Release filing on August 23, 2012

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Exhibit 99.1: Press Release of Selected Financial Data at July 31, 2012

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CENTRAL  
FUND OF  
CANADA  
LIMITED  
(Registrant)

Date August 23, 2012 By: /s/ J.C.  
STEFAN  
SPICER  
J.C. Stefan  
Spicer,  
President &  
CEO