



Home Office

UK Border Agency

Form AN

Application for naturalisation as a British citizen

Naturalising as a British citizen in the future

What are the proposed changes?

On 20 February 2008 the Government published the Green Paper 'The Path to Citizenship: Next Steps in Reforming the Immigration System'. In this document we outlined our proposals for changing the way that someone can become a British citizen or remain here as a permanent resident. These proposals are collectively called 'Earned citizenship'. These proposals will, if agreed by Parliament, lead to change late in 2009. Thereafter, migrants will be expected to pass through 3 key stages and demonstrate certain requirements in order to progress between these. Our aim is to make the journey clearer, simpler and easier for migrants and the public to understand. The three stages are set out below:

1. Temporary residence
2. Probationary citizenship
3. British citizenship/permanent residence

Until then existing arrangements for naturalisation will continue.

Application for naturalisation as a British citizen

IMPORTANT: Before completing this form, you should read the accompanying Guide. Fill in those parts of the form that apply to your application (see *pages 12 - 25 in the guide*) and cross out all other parts. If there is not enough space for your answer, use page 14 to provide additional information.

If you want help to complete your application form, you may wish to contact a competent adviser, for example a solicitor or agent registered with the Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner see page 14 of the guide which accompanies this form for details. Or you may wish to use the Nationality Checking Service operated by a number of local authorities. Your Register Office will advise if one is operated in your area.

We recommend that you keep a copy of this application.

NOTE: Some of the information you provide on this form will be stored on a computer which is registered under the Data Protection Act.

Please ensure that you read the guide which accompanies this form. You should ensure that you understand the criteria for naturalisation before submitting your application. Full fees cannot be returned for applications that fail.

Please write in BLOCK CAPITALS using black or blue-black ink.

Please enter all dates as dd-mm-yyyy, e.g. 29/04/2002

Please note that each individual applying for naturalisation must complete a separate application form. Therefore husbands, wives and civil partners wishing to naturalise, must complete separate forms. For a “joint” application attracting a single fee the applications for a married or civil partnership couple must be submitted together. Family applications should include separate forms for each child, either an AN Form where the child is now an adult (aged 18 or over) or an MN1 Form for a minor (under the age of 18). WE DO NOT NEED APPLICATIONS FOR ADULTS OR MINORS WHO ARE ALREADY BRITISH.

If you are acting as responsible adult for someone who is not of sound mind and able to make and understand their own application (see page 7 of the guide), you must take full responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided and sign the declaration on behalf of the applicant. This includes liability in law.

Section 1: Personal Information

1.1 Please give previous Immigration and Nationality Directorate or Border and Immigration Agency or UK Border Agency reference numbers

1.2 Current passport/travel document number

1.3 Please say when you were given indefinite leave to enter/remain in the UK (not necessary if you are a Commonwealth citizen with right of abode in the United Kingdom). If you are an EEA national, a Swiss national or a family member of an EEA or Swiss national you should read page 5 in the guide.

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1.4 ✓ Title Mr Mrs Miss Ms

Other Title

1.5 Surname/Family Name Please note: The name you give here will be the name shown on your certificate so please ensure it is spelt correctly and you have written it in the correct order.

1.6 Other names

1.7 Name at birth if different from above. (If the names you have given are different or spelt differently from the name shown on your passport, please explain why on page 14)

1.8 If you are or have ever been known by any name or names apart from those mentioned above, please give details here.

1.9 Your present nationality

1.10 National Insurance Number

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1.11 Date of birth

1.12 Village, town or city of birth

1.13 Country of birth

1.14 ✓ Sex Male Female

1.15 ✓ Are you single? Never Married? Divorced? Widowed? Civil Partnership Dissolved?

✓ Or, are you married? Married? Legally separated? Civil Partnership?

1.16 Present address *You must give us any change of address in writing while we are considering this application.*

Daytime/mobile telephone number

Postcode

e-mail address

If someone is representing you, for example an agent, solicitor or you are making the application through a consulate, please tell us their:

1.18 Name

1.19 Address

Postcode

1.20 Telephone Number

1.21 If your application is approved, you will need to take part in a citizenship ceremony. The venue will normally be within a local authority area near where you live. If you want to have your ceremony in another area you should give us details of the local authority location below.

Name

Address

Postcode

1.22 Show how you intend to satisfy the requirements to have sufficient knowledge of language and life in the UK, see page 7 in the accompanying guide.

I wish to claim exemption (physical and /or mental illness may not lead automatically to exemption. You should provide grounds on page 14. Your application may fail and the fee retained if insufficient reasons for exemption are provided).

I have successfully completed an approved ESOL with citizenship course and attach my certificate and confirmation letter from the college.

I have passed the Life in the UK test and attach confirmation. The test number is

I passed the Life in the UK test to qualify for settlement.

Details of your parents *This is to check whether you have an automatic claim to British citizenship.*

1.23 Your father's name

1.24 Your father's town and country of birth

1.25 Your father's nationality

1.26 Your father's date of birth

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1.27 Your mother's full name & maiden name

1.28 Your mother's town and country of birth

1.29 Your mother's nationality

1.30 Your mother's date of birth

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Details of your partner.

Please provide here the details of your husband, wife, civil partner or any person you live with as if they were your husband, wife or civil partner. (A partner who is not a British citizen and wishes to apply must submit a separate application.)

1.31 Full name of partner

If your partner is or has ever been known by any name or names apart from those mentioned above, please give details here

1.32 Partner's date of birth

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1.33 Partner's village, town or city and country of birth

1.34 Partner's nationality

If your partner is a naturalised British citizen enter date they were granted this citizenship

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Their citizenship certificate reference number

1.35 Partner's present address.

1.36 Date and place of marriage/civil partnership (if applicable)

If you were previously married or in a civil partnership, please give:

1.37 Full name of previous husband or wife or civil partner (before marriage/civil partnership). Provide details on page 14 if more than one previous marriage.

1.38 Previous husband's/wife's/civil partner's date of birth

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1.39 Previous husband's/wife's/civil partner's village/town/city and country of birth

1.40 Previous husband's/wife's/civil partner's nationality

1.41 Date and place of your previous marriage/civil partnership

1.42 Date, place and reason for the ending of your previous marriage/civil partnership

1.43 Date(s) and place(s) of your husband's/wife's/civil partner's previous marriage/civil partnership (if applicable)

1.44 Date(s), place(s) and reason(s) for ending of your husband's/wife's/civil partner's marriage or civil partnership (if applicable)

1.45 Dates of any marriage(s) over the last 5 years (continue on page 14 if needed)

2.3 If you are not married or in a civil partnership to a British citizen tell us in which country you intend to have your principal home if you are naturalised.

If this country is outside the United Kingdom and you intend to enter into or continue Crown service, service in an international organisation or employment with a company or association established in the United Kingdom, please include a letter of explanation.

Section 3: Good Character Requirement

In this section you need to give information which will help the Home Secretary to decide whether he can be satisfied that you are of good character. Checks will be made with the police and possibly other Government Departments, the Security Service and other agencies.

3.1 What is your occupation?

3.2 Are you

An employee? A business partner? Self-employed? A director?

3.3 Name of employer or business

3.4 Address of employer or business

3.5 Address of tax office or tax office reference

Criminal Convictions: Civil Judgments

3.6 Do you have any criminal convictions in the UK **or any other country** (including traffic offences) or any civil judgements made against you?

Yes No

*If you have answered **Yes** to question 1 above please give details below for each sentence starting with the most recent one. If you have received more than two sentences you should continue on page 14. Convictions spent under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 need not be disclosed (see guide page 18). If you have answered **No** please go to question 3.7.*

Information may be checked with other agencies.

First sentence

Nature of offence	
Date sentenced	
Sentence given	
Country where sentenced	

Second sentence

Nature of offence	
Date sentenced	
Sentence given	
Country where sentenced	

3.7 Are your details recorded by the police in respect of certain sexual offences (i.e. on the “sex offenders register”), or are you subject to a notification order, a sexual offences prevention order, a foreign travel order, or a risk of sexual harm order?

Yes No

3.8 Have you ever been charged or indicted *inside or outside the United Kingdom* with a criminal offence for which you have not yet been tried in court?

Yes No

3.9 In times of peace or war have you ever been involved in, or suspected of involvement in, war crimes, crimes against humanity or genocide?

Yes No

3.10 Have you ever been involved in, supported or encouraged terrorist activities in any country? Have you ever been a member of, or given support to an organisation which has been concerned in terrorism?

Yes No

3.11 Have you ever, by any means or medium, expressed views that justify or glorify terrorist violence or that may encourage others to terrorist acts or other serious criminal acts?

Yes No

3.12 Have you engaged in any other activities which might indicate that you may not be considered a person of good character?

Yes No

For the purposes of answering questions 3.9 to 3.11 please refer to the AN Guide which provides guidance on actions which may constitute war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide or terrorist activities

Question 3.7 - 3.12 further details

Section 4: Crown Service

4.1 If your application is based on your Crown service, or your husband's or wife's Crown service, or specially designated service complete this section.

If not, please go to section 5.

Please note that serving members of the Armed Forces will not automatically qualify under the Crown service provision. Due to their immigration status they may not qualify for naturalisation until they have been discharged from service (see guide page 4).

Please ✓

Your Crown service Were you recruited In the United Kingdom Yes No

Your husband's/wife's/civil partners Crown service or Specially designated service Were they recruited in the United Kingdom Yes No

Description of relevant Service	Branch/regiment etc. where serving	Length of Crown or other service (dates)	Staff/service or personal ID Number

Section 5: Referees and Identity

This part is to be filled in by your referees after you have fixed a photograph of yourself aside. Your referees should read page 24 of the guide to confirm that they are eligible, Checks will be carried out to ensure that referees meet the requirements below and their signatures are genuine, and we may contact them as part of our enquiries.

Affix
passport
size photo
See page 24
of the guide

Name of applicant

5.1 One referee should be a person of any nationality who has professional standing, eg doctor, minister of religion, civil servant, or a member of a professional body e.g. accountant or solicitor (who is not representing you with this application). The other referee must be the holder of a British citizen passport and *either* a professional person *or* over the age of 25. Both should declare that:-

- they are not a relative, solicitor or agent of the applicant, or related to the other referee;
- they are not employed by the Home Office;
- they have not been convicted of an imprisonable offence during the last 10 years (unless the conviction has become spent under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974);
- they have known the applicant personally for more than 3 years;
- they are willing to give full details of their knowledge of the applicant;
- they will advise the Home Office of any reason why the applicant should not be naturalised.

1st Referee declaration

I declare that I am qualified to act as referee.
The photograph above is a true likeness of the applicant.
I confirm each of the points in 5.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the details given on page 4 of this form are correct.

5.2 Say how you know the applicant, and state your age and profession.

5.3 Date of Birth

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5.4 1st Referee full name

5.5 Sex Male Female

5.6 Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on page 14.

5.7 Daytime telephone number

5.8 e-mail address

5.9 Current British citizen passport number (if any)

I understand that I may be liable for prosecution resulting in a penalty of up to 3 months imprisonment or a fine not exceeding £5,000 or both if I knowingly or recklessly make a false declaration.

Signature of referee

Date

2nd Referee declaration

I declare that I am qualified to act as referee.
The photograph above is a true likeness of the applicant.
I confirm each of the points in 5.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the details given on page 4 of this form are correct.

5.2 Say how you know the applicant, and state your age and profession.

5.3 Date of Birth

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5.4 2nd Referee full name

5.5 Sex Male Female

5.6 Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on page 14.

5.7 Daytime telephone number

5.8 e-mail address

5.9 Current British citizen passport number (if any)

I understand that I may be liable for prosecution resulting in a penalty of up to 3 months imprisonment or a fine not exceeding £5,000 or both if I knowingly or recklessly make a false declaration.

Signature of referee

Date

FURTHER INFORMATION NOT COVERED IN OTHER SECTIONS

Section 6: Declaration by applicant

WARNING: To give false information on this form knowingly or recklessly is a criminal offence punishable with up to 3 months' imprisonment or by a fine not exceeding £5,000 or both.
(Section 46(1) of the British Nationality Act 1981, as amended).

6.1 I, (full name in BLOCK LETTERS)

declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this application is correct. I know of no reason why I should not be granted British citizenship. I promise to inform the Home Secretary in writing of any change in circumstances which may affect the accuracy of the information given whilst this application is being considered by the Home Office. I understand that information given by me will be treated in confidence, but may be submitted for checking against records held by other Government departments, the Security Service and other agencies, local authorities and the police, where it is necessary for immigration or nationality purposes, or to enable these bodies to carry out their functions.

I understand that I may be liable for prosecution if I have knowingly or recklessly provided false or incomplete information.

I authorise the HM Revenue & Customs to provide the UK Border Agency with any information relevant to this application, and with any information needed to check the information I have provided. I understand that any information provided to the HM Revenue & Customs in connection with this application may be used by them for the purpose of their statutory functions.

6.2 ✓ I confirm that I have read and understood the guide Naturalisation as a British Citizen ►

6.3 ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate naturalisation fee and payment slip ►

6.4* ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate documents ►

6.5 ✓ I understand that a certificate of citizenship may be withdrawn if it is found to have been obtained ►
by fraud, false representation or concealment of any material fact, or if on the basis of my conduct
the Home Secretary considers it to be conducive to the public good.

6.6 ✓ *I declare that, although I do not meet all of the statutory requirements for naturalisation, I believe ►
that, in view of the following special circumstances, the Home Secretary should treat me as fulfilling
those requirements or waive the need in my case to fulfil them.

*Delete if not applicable

6.7 Special circumstances - which requirements do you think you fail to meet and what are the special circumstances? (continue on page 14 if necessary)

6.8 Please sign below once you are satisfied you have completed the form correctly. Fees are not fully refundable for applications that fail. You are recommended to read the guide, particularly those sections on how to qualify and the residence requirements.

Signature

Date

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS.

Your application cannot be considered without certain evidence. You should provide documents to cover each of the sections shown below that are relevant to your application, and tick to indicate the type of evidence you have enclosed. If you are concerned about submitting your original documents then you may wish to consider using the Nationality Checking Service described on page 12 of the Guide. We reserve the right to call for documents to satisfy ourselves as to their authenticity. Providing forged or fraudulent documents may result in prosecution leading to fines, imprisonment and deportation.

SECTION 1 Evidence of identity: required for all applications

- *Your passport OR
- *National identity card OR
- *Home Office travel document OR
- *Home Office entitlement card OR
- *Home Office ARC letter OR
- Your birth certificate OR
- *Your driving licence OR

*if you used one of these documents when you took the Knowledge of Life in the UK test you will be expected to use it again by enclosing it with your naturalisation application.

SECTION 2 Evidence of knowledge of English and of Life in the UK: required for all applicants

- Certificate of progression from one ESOL level to another, with a letter from the college confirming that the course followed by the applicant was ESOL-with-citizenship OR
 - Letter confirming success in the Life in the UK Test, OR
 - Confirmation that you met this requirement in order to obtain settlement. OR
 - Letters and other evidence to show that you should be exempt on grounds of incapacity.
 - Tick to indicate that you are claiming exemption on grounds of age.
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SECTION 3 Evidence of lawful residence during the 5 (or, if the applicant is married or in civil partnership to a British citizen, 3) years before the date of the application: required for applications made on the basis of residence in the united kingdom: required for all applicants

- Your passports OR
 - Letters from employers, educational establishments or other Government Departments indicating presence in UK
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SECTION 4 Evidence of settlement for applicants from Switzerland or the European Economic Area see page 5 of the guide

- Your valid passport or valid national identity card as evidence of your nationality.
 - Evidence of exercising Treaty Rights for 5 years.
 - Confirmation of tax payment for individuals who are self-employed / business person:
 - Confirmation of enrolment of course for Students
 - Evidence of funds and sickness insurance for self sufficient person
 - Evidence of state pension (not occupational pension) for retired person.
 - Medical report for incapacitated applicant.
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SECTION 5 Evidence of freedom from immigration time restrictions: required for all applicants except those covered by SECTION 4 above

- Your passport showing permission to remain permanently in the UK OR
 - The Home Office letter by which you were given permission to remain permanently in the UK
 - If you came to the UK as an asylum seeker you should have evidence of appeal applications OR
 - Evidence of being freely landed
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SECTION 6 Evidence of marriage for applications made on the basis of marriage or civil partnership to a British citizen.

- Husband's, wife's or civil partner's passport or birth certificate AND
 - The marriage certificate or civil partnership certificate
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SECTION 7 Evidence of tax for self-employed applicants only

The most recent HM Revenue & Customs Self Assessment Statement of Account

SECTION 8 Evidence of Crown service for applications made on the basis of crown service or on the basis of marriage to a British citizen in Crown or designated service

- A letter from the relevant employer confirming date and place of recruitment, position held, and the extent to which it would be in the employer's interests for the application to be granted
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