



Home Office

UK Border Agency

FORM MN1

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF A CHILD UNDER 18 AS A BRITISH CITIZEN



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Application for registration of a child under 18 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 this child's application (see pages 16 - 27 in the guide) and cross out all other parts. If there is not enough space use page 13 to provide additional information.

If you want help to complete this 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 17 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 registering children before submitting the 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. 30/02/2010

We do not need applications for children who are already British.

If someone other than the parent or legal guardian is representing the child, for example local authority, social services, agent or solicitor, or you are making the application through a consulate, please tell us their:

1.17 Name

1.18 Address

 Postcode

1.19 Telephone Number

1.20 For children aged over 17 years and six months: If the child reaches the age of 18 before the application is approved they will need to take part in a citizenship ceremony when they are registered. The venue will normally be within a local authority area near where they live. If you want them to attend a ceremony in another area you should give us details of the local authority below.

Name
Address

 Postcode

Details of the child's parents. (If one or both are not the birth parents, please provide details of the biological parents on page 13 of the form)

1.21 Child's father's name

1.22 Child's father's date of birth

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1.23 Child's father's town and country of birth

1.24 Child's father's address if different from child's address.

1.35 Child's mother's nationality. If a British citizen say how and when this was acquired, eg birth, adoption, descent, registration or naturalisation. If dead, please give date and place of death and nationality at time of death.

1.36 Date mother became settled in the UK (e.g. granted indefinite leave to remain)

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If the mother is serving in the armed forces:

1.37 Date mother joined the armed forces

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1.38 Country/place where mother serving when the child was born

1.39 Date of parents' marriage or civil partnership (if applicable)

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If the child is married, in civil partnership or living with someone as if married or in civil partnership, please provide details of their partner.

1.40 Full name (before marriage/civil partnership) of partner

1.41 Name at birth

1.42 Partner's date of birth

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

1.44 Partner's nationality

1.45 Partner's present address,
(Including postcode)

1.46 Date and place of marriage/civil partnership

1.47 Date and place of legal separation
(if applicable)

Section 2: Residence requirements

2.1 If the child is resident in the United Kingdom or a British overseas territory (see page 8 of the guide), please give date and place of first arrival.

Date D D M M Y Y Y Y

Date

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Place

2.2 Please provide details of the child's addresses in the United Kingdom or the British overseas territories for the last 5 years. If the child has been resident for less than 5 years, please give details of all addresses since entry. (Continue on page 13 if necessary)

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| Address | Address |
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| To: | To: |

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| Address | Address |
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2.3 Please give details of all absences from the United Kingdom and the British overseas territories during the period of residence above

Failure to complete this will result in delay to the application.

If necessary, please continue on page 13 of this application form.

| Country Visited | Reason eg, Holiday, business, visiting relatives | Date of departure from United Kingdom/territory | | | | | | Date of return to the United Kingdom/territory | | | | | | Total number of days absent |
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More absences shown on page 13 Yes No

Total number of days absent (including any shown on page 13)

2.4 In which country will the child live if this application is granted?

Section 3

PARENTS' RESIDENCE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE BRITISH OVERSEAS TERRITORIES, WHERE APPLICABLE. (SEE PAGES 9 AND 20 THE GUIDE)

3.1 Please say which parent is the one who is a British citizen by descent and on whom this application is based.

Mother Father

3.2 Please provide the above parent's addresses in the United Kingdom or the British overseas territories during the reckonable three year period.

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| Address | Address |
| From: | From: |
| To: | To: |

3.3 Please give details of all absences from the United Kingdom and the British overseas territories during the reckonable period of residence above. If necessary, please continue on page 13 of this application form.

| Country Visited | Reason eg, Holiday, business, visiting relatives | Date of departure from United Kingdom/territory | | | | | | Date of return to the United Kingdom/territory | | | | | | Total number of days absent |
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More absences shown on page 13 Yes No

Total number of days absent (including any shown on page 13)
Failure to complete this will result in delay of the application.

3.4 Please provide details of the other parent's addresses in the United Kingdom or the British overseas territories during the reckonable three year period (if different from 3.2)

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| Address | Address |
| From: | From: |
| To: | To: |

3.5 Please give details of all of the other parent's absences from the United Kingdom and the British overseas territories during the reckonable period of residence above. If necessary, please continue on page 13 of this application form.

| Country Visited | Reason eg, Holiday, business, visiting relatives | Date of departure from United Kingdom/territory | | | | | | Date of return to the United Kingdom/territory | | | | | | Total number of days absent |
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More absences shown on page 13 Yes No

Total number of days absent (including any shown on page 13)
 Failure to complete this will result in delay to the application.

3.6 Please provide details of the child's grandparent from whom the parent in 3.1 derived British citizenship by descent.

Full name

3.7 Date of birth

3.8 Village, town or city of birth

3.9 Country of birth

3.10 Nationality

3.11 If he or she became a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies or British citizen by registration or naturalisation please give certificate number and date of issue.

3.12 Relationship to child. Paternal Grandfather? Paternal Grandmother?
 Maternal Grandfather? Maternal Grandmother?

Parent who is an EEA national exercising EC Treaty rights.

3.13 If one of the parents is an EEA national and is claiming to have permanent residence since 30 April 2006, please tick (✓) one or more of the boxes below to show the way(s) in which you have exercised Treaty rights for the past 5 years and give the relevant dates.

| | From | To |
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| Employment | | |
| Self employment | | |
| Study | | |
| Economic self-sufficiency | | |
| Retired | | |
| Permanent incapacity | | |

3.14 If the parent concerned is an A8 national (see page 7 & 8 of the guide) and is exercising their Treaty rights in the UK as a worker, please give date of registration under the Worker Registration Scheme.

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3.15 If the parent concerned exercised Treaty rights in employment, self-employment or study, please give details below, starting with the most recent if more than one employer and/or place of study. If necessary, please continue on page 13 of this application form.

| Name and address of employer or place of study | From | Until | Type of business if self-employed | Job title if employed |
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3.16 If you are applying under section 3(2) of the British Nationality Act 1981 please tick here to confirm that you have read the information on page 10 of the Guide MN1, you are aware of section 3(5) of the British Nationality Act 1981, but still wish to apply under section 3(2) even though this gives British citizenship by descent.

Section 4: Good Character Requirement

This section applies to the child applicant if they are aged 10 and over. You need to give information which will help the Home Secretary to decide whether he can be satisfied that they are of good character. Checks will be made with the police and possibly other Government Departments, the Security Service and other agencies.

4.1 Child's occupation/job if any? Enter "student" if the child is in full time education or part time education and they are not employed.

4.2 Name of employer or school or college

4.3 Address of employer or school or college

4.4 Address of tax office or tax office reference (if applicable)

Criminal Convictions: Civil Judgements

4.5 Does the applicant have any criminal convictions **in the UK or any other country** (including traffic offences or Anti Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs)), fixed penalty notices or any civil judgements made against them? Yes No

If you have answered "Yes" above please give details below for each sentence starting with the most recent one. If the child has received more than two sentences you should continue on page 12. Convictions spent under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 need not be disclosed (see guide pages 19-20). If you have answered "No" please go to question 4.6.

Information may be checked with other agencies.

First sentence

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| Nature of offence | |
| Date sentenced | |
| Sentence given | |
| Country where sentenced | |

Second sentence

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| Nature of offence | |
| Date sentenced | |
| Sentence given | |
| Country where sentenced | |

- 4.6** Are the child's details recorded by the police in respect of certain sexual offences (i.e. on the "sex offenders register"), or is he or she subject to a notification order, a sexual offences prevention order, a foreign travel order, or a risk of sexual harm order (or equivalent order made in a British overseas territory or any other country)?
 Yes No
- 4.7** Has the child ever been charged or indicted inside or outside the UK with a criminal offence for which they have not yet been tried in court? (If they have been recently arrested or are subject to police enquiries, you should check and confirm whether action is outstanding that may lead to a court appearance)
 Yes No
- 4.8** In times of peace or war has the child ever been involved in, or suspected of involvement in, war crimes, crimes against humanity or genocide?
 Yes No
- 4.9** Has the child ever been involved in, supported or encouraged terrorist activities in any country? Have they ever been a member of, or given support to an organisation which has been concerned in terrorism?
 Yes No
- 4.10** Has the child 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
- 4.11** Has the child engaged in any other activities which might indicate that they may not be considered a person of good character (see also page 24 of the guide)?
 Yes No

For the purposes of answering questions 4.8 to 4.10 please refer to the Guide MN1 which provides guidance on actions which may constitute war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide or terrorist activities.

If you answered yes to any of the questions 4.6 - 4.11 above please give details in the space provided below.

Question 4.5 - 4.11 further details

FURTHER INFORMATION NOT COVERED IN OTHER SECTIONS

Section 5: Referees and Identity

This part is to be filled in by referees after you have fixed a photograph of the child aside. Your referees should read page 25 of the Guide to confirm that they are eligible. Checks will be carried out to ensure that the referees' are genuine and we may contact them as part of our enquiries.

Affix
passport
size photo
See page 25
of the guide

Name of applicant

5.1 Each referee should know the child personally. One referee should be a professional who has engaged with the child in a professional capacity, such as a teacher, health visitor, social worker or minister of religion. The other referee must normally be the holder of a British citizen passport and either a professional person or over the age of 25 (but see also page 25 of the guide).

Referees must:

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

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 3 of this form are correct.

5.2 Say how you know the child and state either your age or your profession

5.3 1st Referee full name

5.4 ✓Sex Male Female

5.5 Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on page 13.

5.6 Daytime telephone number

5.7 e-mail address

5.8 Current British citizen passport number

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 3 of this form are correct.

5.2 Say how you know the child and state either your age or your profession

5.3 2nd Referee full name

5.4 ✓Sex Male Female

5.5 Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on page 13.

5.6 Daytime telephone number

5.7 e-mail address

5.8 Current British citizen passport number

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

Section 6: Consent to the Application

The consent of both parents is required for applications made under section 3(5) and 4D and is expected for all other applications.

6.1 Father's consent

I _____ (name of father) consent to this application for the registration of
_____ (name of child) as a British citizen.

Signed _____

6.2 Mother's consent

I _____ (name of mother) consent to this application for the registration of
_____ (name of child) as a British citizen.

Signed _____

6.3 If only one parent has signed please say why the other parent has not signed and provide supporting documents (see page 26 of the guide).

6.4 Guardian's consent

I _____ (name)
of _____ (full address in BLOCK LETTERS)

am the guardian of _____ (name of child)

and consent to this application for their registration as a British citizen.

I am authorised to act as guardian by

either the court at _____ or

the child's father or mother WHOSE CONSENT IS ATTACHED

Signed _____

Daytime telephone number. _____

6.5 Child's consent where they are making an application on their own behalf

I _____ (name in BLOCK LETTERS)
apply for registration as a British citizen and attach the consent of my father/mother/guardian to this application.

Signed _____

Section 7: Declaration

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).

7.1 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 the child should not be registered as a British citizen. 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 by the HM Revenue & Customs in connection with this application may be used by them for the purpose of their statutory functions.

7.2 ✓ I confirm that I have read and understood the guide MN1

7.3 ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate registration fee

7.4 ✓ I understand that if I withdraw my application, or it is refused, only part of the fee will be returned to me.

7.5 ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate documents

7.6 ✓ 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 someone registered as a British citizen goes on to engage in conduct which is seriously prejudicial to the public good.

7.7 ✓ [For parents applying for British citizenship at the same time as their child] I still want my child to be registered as a British citizen even if my own application for British citizenship is refused.

7.8 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