



Home Office

# UK Border Agency

## FORM S3

Application for registration as:

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- a British overseas territories citizen

by or on behalf of a stateless person born in the United Kingdom  
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**IMPORTANT: Before completing this form, you should read the accompanying Guide. If there is not enough space for your answers, use a separate sheet of paper 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 Immigration Services Commissioner see page 8 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 registration before submitting your application. Full fees cannot be returned for applicants that fail or withdraw their application.

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

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

# Section 1: Personal Information

1.1 Please give here date and Home Office or Border and Immigration Agency or UK Border Agency reference number of any previous application or correspondence.

**Details of applicant (i.e. the stateless person)**

1.2 Surname/Family Name

1.3 Other Names

1.4 Name at birth  
*if different from above*

D D      M M      Y Y Y Y

1.5 Date of birth

1.6 Place and country of birth

If name at birth is different from your present name please give:

1.7 Date of change to present name

D D      M M      Y Y Y Y

1.8 Reason for change  
*(e.g. marriage, civil partnership adoption, deed poll, gender change)*

1.9 Present Address

1.10 Present address of the person signing the application *(if different)*

1.11 Telephone numbers of the person signing the application

Daytime:

Mobile:

That person's home number *(if different)*:

1.12 Applicant's email address

*Please report any change of address or telephone number.*

1.13 If married or in a civil partnership:

1.14 full name of husband/  
wife/civil partner  
*(before marriage)*

1.15 husband's/wife's/  
civil partner's  
date of birth

D	D		M	M		Y	Y	Y	Y

1.16 husband's/wife's/  
civil partner's  
nationality

1.17 husband's/wife's/  
civil partner's place  
and country of birth

1.18 Please explain why the applicant has been stateless from birth.

1.19 Details of Applicant's Mother

1.20 Her full name

1.21 Date of birth

D	D		M	M		Y	Y	Y	Y

1.22 Place and country  
of birth

1.23 Nationality when the  
applicant was born\*

1.24 Present nationality

*\*(If a British citizen, a British overseas territories citizen, a British Overseas citizen, or a British subject, state how this status was acquired e.g. by birth, adoption, descent, registration or naturalisation. If by naturalisation or registration please give the date and number of the certificate and place of issue.)*

1.25 Details of Applicant's Father

1.26 His full name

1.27 Date of birth

D	D		M	M		Y	Y	Y	Y

1.28 Place and country  
of birth

1.29 Nationality when the  
applicant was born\*

1.30 Present nationality

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**2.3** Please provide details of the applicants residence throughout the five year qualifying period.

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**2.4** If absences from the United Kingdom and the British overseas territories exceed the 450 day allowance please explain the special circumstances which it is felt the Home Secretary/Governor should take into account when considering the application. *(see page 4 in the guide)*



*All the applicants must fill in the declaration at section 4.*

## Section 3: 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 10 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  
of the guide

Name of applicant

- 3.1** One referee should be a person of any nationality who has professional standing, e.g. 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;
- they are not related to either 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 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 3.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the details given on page 3 of this form are correct.

- 3.2** Say how you know the applicant, and state your age and profession.

**3.3** 1st Referee full name

**3.4** Sex Male  Female

**3.5** Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on a separate piece of paper.

**3.6** Daytime telephone number

**3.7** E-mail address

**3.8** 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 3.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the details given on page 3 of this form are correct.

- 3.2** Say how you know the applicant, and state your age and profession.

**3.3** 2nd Referee full name

**3.4** Sex Male  Female

**3.5** Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on a separate piece of paper.

**3.6** Daytime telephone number

**3.7** E-mail address

**3.8** 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

## Section 4: Declaration by Applicant or person signing the form

**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).

4.1 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 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 to the HM Revenue & Customs in connection with this application may be used by them for the purpose of their statutory functions.

4.2 ✓ I confirm that I have read and understood the guide S2 - stateless persons registration

4.3 ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate registration fee and payment slip

4.4 ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate documents

4.5 ✓ 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.

4.6 ✓ \*I declare that, although I do not meet all of the statutory requirements for registration, 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

4.7 Special circumstances - which requirements do you think you fail to meet and what are the special circumstances?  
(continue on a separate sheet of paper).

4.8 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

