



Home Office

# **UK Border Agency**

## **FORM MN3**

Application for registration of a child under 18 as a  
British Overseas citizen

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**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 7 - 15 in the guide) and cross out all other parts. If there is not enough space use page 8 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 9 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. 29/04/2002

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

# Section 1: Personal Information

**1.1** Immigration and Nationality Directorate or Border and Immigration Agency or UK Border Agency reference number.

**1.2** ✓ Title Mr  Mrs  Miss  Ms

Other Title

**1.3** Surname/Family Name

**1.4** Other Names

**1.5** If the child is or has ever been known by any name or names apart from those mentioned above, please give details here.

**1.6** The date and reason for the change of name (marriage, adoption, change of name by deed poll etc.)

**1.7** Present nationality

**1.8** National Insurance number (if any)

**1.9** Date of birth 

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**1.10** Village, town or city of birth

**1.11** Country of birth

Please tick (✓) appropriate box

**1.12** ✓ Sex Male  Female

**1.13** ✓ What is the child's marital status? Never Married?  Divorced?  Widowed?  Civil Partnership Dissolved?

✓ Or Married?  Legally separated?  Civil Partnership?  Partner?

**1.14** 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 available*



Child's mother's address if different from child's address

**1.24** Child's mother's daytime telephone number and address if different from child's

**1.25** Child's mother's full name & maiden name

**1.26** Child's mother's town and country of birth

**1.27** Child's mother's nationality. Please say how 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

**1.28** Child's mother's date of birth

D	D			M	M			Y	Y	Y	Y								

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

D	D			M	M			Y	Y	Y	Y								

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.

**1.30** Full name (before marriage) of partner

**1.31** Name at birth

**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

**1.35** Partner's present address, (Including postcode)

**1.36** Date and place of marriage/civil partnership

**1.37** Date and place of legal separation (if applicable)

## Section 2: Residence

**2.1** If the child is resident in the United Kingdom or a British overseas territory, please give date and place of first arrival.

Date

D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y

Place

**2.2** Please provide all addresses (*including the name of the country*) at which the child has lived in the last 5 years.  
(Continue on page 8 if necessary)

Address	Address
From:	From:
To:	To:

Address	Address
From:	From:
To:	To:

Address	Address
From:	From:
To:	To:

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

## Section 3: Good Character Requirement

This section applies to the child applicant if they are age 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.

3.1 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.

3.2 Name of employer or school or college

3.3 Address of employer or school or college

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

### Criminal Convictions: Civil Judgements

3.5 Does the applicant have any criminal convictions **in the UK or any other country** (including traffic offences or Anti Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs)) 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 9. Convictions spent under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 need not be disclosed (see guide page 10). If you have answered No, please go to question 3.6.*

*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	

- 3.6** 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
- 3.7** 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
- 3.8** 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
- 3.9** 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
- 3.10** 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
- 3.11** Has the child engaged in any other activities which might indicate that they may not be considered a person of good character? Yes  No

For the purposes of answering questions 3.8 to 3.11 please refer to the Guide MN3 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 3.6 - 3.11 above please give details in the space provided below.***

***Question 3.6 - 3.11 further details***

## Further information not covered in other sections



## Section 4: Referees and Identity

Affix  
passport  
size photo  
See page 14  
of the guide

This part is to be filled in by your referees after you have fixed a photograph of the child aside. Your referees should read page 14 of the Guide to confirm that they are eligible. Checks will be carried out to ensure that referees are genuine and we may contact them as part of our enquiries.

Name of applicant

**4.1** 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 doctor, 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 14 of the guide).

Referees must:

- not be a relative, solicitor or agent of the applicant;
- not be related to 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 4.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the details given on page 3 of this form are correct.

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

**4.3** 1st Referee full name

**4.4** ✓ Sex Male  Female

**4.5** Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on page 8.

**4.6** Daytime telephone number

**4.7** E-mail address

**4.8** 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 4.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the details given on page 3 of this form are correct.

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

**4.3** 2nd Referee full name

**4.4** ✓ Sex Male  Female

**4.5** Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on page 8.

**4.6** Daytime telephone number

**4.7** E-mail address

**4.8** 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 5: Consent to the Application

The consent of both parents is expected for applications made under section 27(1) of the British Nationality Act 1981

### 5.1 Father's consent

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

### 5.2 Mother's consent

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

### 5.3 If only one parent has signed please say why the other parent has not signed and provide supporting documents (see page 15 of the guide)

### 5.4 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 Overseas 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

I \_\_\_\_\_ (name in BLOCK LETTERS)

apply for registration as a British Overseas citizen and attach the consent of my father/mother/guardian to this application

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 6: 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).

**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 the child should not be registered as a British Overseas 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.

**6.2** ✓ I confirm that I have read and understood the guide MN3

**6.3** ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate registration fee

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

**6.5** ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate documents

**6.6** ✓ 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 Overseas citizen goes on to engage in conduct which is seriously prejudicial to the public good.

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

**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 the section on how to qualify.

Signature

Date





