

BOTC (M)

Application to become a British Overseas Territories citizen (BOTC) and British citizen by a person born before 1983 to a British mother

To be used by people in the Channel Islands, Isle of Man and British Overseas Territories, and by people who live elsewhere and want to apply by post.

Use this form if you are applying on or after 07 July 2023.

The Home Office will use the personal information you provide to consider your application. We may also share your information with other public and private sector organisations in the UK and overseas. For more detail please see the Privacy Notice for the Border, Immigration and Citizenship system at www.gov.uk/government/publications/personal-information-use-in-borders-immigration-and-citizenship. This also sets out your rights under the Data Protection Act 2018 and explains how you can access your personal information and complain if you have concerns about how we are using it.

Application for registration as a British Overseas Territories citizen and British citizen by a person whose mother was British and whose parents were not married

Important: Before completing this form, you should read the accompanying Guide BOTC (M). Fill in those parts of the form that apply to your application. If there is not enough space for your answer, 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 immigration adviser registered with the Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner.

We recommend that you keep a copy of this application.

You should ensure that you understand the criteria for registration for BOTC (M) before submitting your application. Fees cannot be returned for applications that fail. Please write in block capitals using black or blue ink. Please enter all dates as dd/mm/yyyy, for example, 21/04/2022.

1. Personal information

Before completing this form, you should read the accompanying Guide BOTC(M). Fill in the parts of the form which apply to your application and cross out all other parts. If there is not enough space for your answer, use a separate sheet of paper. Please write clearly in block capitals using black ink.

Application type:

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1.9 Village or town or city of birth:	
1.10 Country of birth:	
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2. Referees and identity

Please write your name and date of birth on the back of a photograph of yourself. This should then be glued or pasted into the space aside.

This part of the form is to be filled in by your referees once your photograph has been affixed aside as explained above. Your referees should read the Referees and identity section of the Nationality forms guide (www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationality-forms-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 Guide BOTC (M) for information

2.1 One referee should be a person of any nationality who has professional standing, for example, minister of religion, civil servant, or a member of a professional body, such as an accountant or solicitor (who is not representing you with this application). The other referee must normally be a 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 employed by the Home Office
- they have not been convicted of an imprisonable offence (unless that conviction can be disregarded in line with the table shown in the Good character section of the Nationality forms guide (www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationality-forms-guide)
- 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 a referee. The photograph above is a true likeness of the applicant. I confirm each of the points in 2.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the personal details of the applicant given on this form are correct.

2.2	Say how yo	u know the applic	cant, and state your	age and profession:	
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I understand that I may be liable for prosecution resulting imprisonment or a fine not exceeding £5000 or both, if I k declaration.	
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3. Biometric enrolment

In accordance with British Nationality (General) Regulations 2003 anyone applying for naturalisation or registration as a British citizen must register their biometric information. For more information about registering your biometric information, please see the accompanying guidance notes, which you must read before completing this form.

If you have a current Biometric residence permit (BRP), you must send it with your application.

3.1 Have you been issued with a biometr	ic residence permit?
Yes go to question 3.2	No go to question 3.11
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3.2 BRP number	
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3.5 Place of issue	
3.6 Biometric residence permit enclosed	?
Yes go to question 3.11	No please state the location of your BRP below
Returned to Home Office go to ques	tion 3.7
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Other go to ques	tion 3.10
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3.9 If the biometric resident permit was stolen, please give the police report number, crime reference number, the police station and the date reported to the police.
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3.10 If the required BRP is not enclosed, please give details why you are unable to provide it:
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3.11 Have you had your fingerprints taken as part of a previous BOTC or UK immigration application made in the UK, an overseas territory or abroad?
No go to next question
Yes continue below
Please give the details specified below in each case. If you need more space, continue on a separate sheet and enclose it with this application form.
The name in which your Date on which Place at which they were British diplomatic post if
fingerprints were taken they were taken (dd/mm/yyyy) taken, including the town, city and country
3.12 Do you have a medical or physical condition which may require special arrangements for your biometrics to be recorded?
No go to next question
Yes please provide us with a letter from a doctor registered with the General Medical Council (GMC) giving details of the condition and/or special needs and explaining any

3.8 If the BRP was lost, please give the date this was reported to the Home Office:

3.13 Are you under the age of 16 years? go to next question No Yes continue below Give details of the person who will be accompanying you when you attend your Biometric information registration appointment: Name of responsible adult: 3.14 3.15 Date of birth: 3.16 Nationality: Relationship to you: 3.17 Is this person your parent or legal guardian? 3.18 No go to Section 4

Applicants under the age of 16

continue below

Yes

3.19 Please explain why a person other than your parent or legal guardian will be accompanying you:
3.20 Declaration
As required by British Nationality (General) Regulations 2003, I confirm that I wish to register my biometric information.
(If applying on behalf of a person under the age of 16), I understand that the Home Office may make enquiries about the responsible adult nominated to be present when biometrics are taken.
Signature:
Date:

4. Declaration by applicant

Read this section carefully before inserting your name clearly in box 4.1 and ticking each box at 4.2 - 4.6 to confirm the points raised.

If you meet the requirements described in the Guide BOTC (M), please sign and date the form in box 4.7. You are advised to read this guide carefully to ensure that you do satisfy all the requirements.

You must normally sign the form yourself. If you cannot sign the form, you must make a mark or a fingerprint and ask one of your referees to sign saying that it is your mark or fingerprint. If the applicant is not of sound mind and you are acting on their behalf, you should sign to indicate your responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the information provided. You must support this by explaining, in a covering letter, who you are and why the applicant cannot act on their own behalf. Confirmation from the applicant's medical practitioner or consultant should also be provided.

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 £5000 or both.

(Section 46(1) of the British Nationality Act 1981, as amended)

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4.1 I (full name in block letters)	
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4.2 I agree that the relevant body may disclose personal information obtained as part their statutory function	of
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4.4 I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate fee and payment slip	
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