



Home Office

Form MN1

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

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.

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.

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

Before completing this form, you should read the accompanying [MN1 guide](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/form-mn1-guidance) (www.gov.uk/government/publications/form-mn1-guidance). Fill in those parts of the form that apply to this child's application and cross out all other parts. If there is not enough space, use the 'Further information not covered in other sections' page.

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 (refer to 'OISC and Immigration Advice' section of the [MN1 guide](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/form-mn1-guidance) (www.gov.uk/government/publications/form-mn1-guidance) which accompanies this form for details).

We recommend that you keep a copy of this application.

Ensure that you read the MN1 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.

Write in BLOCK CAPITALS using black ink. Enter all dates as dd-mm-yyyy, for example, 30/02/2010.

Section 2 - Residence requirements

2.1 If the child is resident in the United Kingdom or a British overseas territory (see 'Residence requirement' section of the [Nationality forms guide](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationality-forms-guide) (www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationality-forms-guide), give date and place of first arrival:

Date:

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Place:

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2.2 Provide details of the child's addresses in the United Kingdom or the British overseas territories for the last 5 years, or if less than 5 years, give details of all addresses since entry.

Continue on final page if necessary.

Address	Address
From:	From:
To:	To:

Address	Address
From:	From:
To:	To:

2.3 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, continue on final page of this applicaion form.

Country visited	Reason (for example, holiday, business, visiting relatives)	Date of departure from the United Kingdom/territory						Date of return to the United Kingdom/territory						Total number of days absent
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More absences shown on final page: Yes No

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

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

Section 3 - Parents' residence in the UK or the British overseas territories, where applicable

(See 'Residence requirements' section of the [Nationality forms guide](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationality-forms-guide) www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationality-forms-guide)

3.1 State which parent is the one who is a British citizen by descent and on whom this application is based:

Mother Father

3.2 Provide the above parent's addresses in the United Kingdom or the British overseas territories during the reckonable 3 year period:

Address	Address
From:	From:
To:	To:

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

Country visited	Reason (for example, 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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3.7 Date of birth:

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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 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, 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
Employment		
Self employment		
Study		
Economic self-sufficiency		
Retired		
Permanent incapacity		

3.14 If the parent concerned is an A8 national (see 'Children of EEA nationals' section of the [MN1 guide](#)) and is exercising their Treaty rights in the UK as a worker, 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, give details below, starting with the most recent if more than one employer and/or place of study. If necessary, continue on final page 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

3.16 If you are applying under section 3(2) of the British Nationality Act 1981, tick here to confirm that you have read the information on 'Section 3(2) and Section 3(5)' of [MN1 guide](#), 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:

Criminal conviction 1

Country where convicted:

Nature of offence:

Sentence given:

Date sentenced:

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If you were sentenced to a period of imprisonment, what was the length of the prison sentence (in months)?

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Criminal conviction 2

Country where convicted:

Nature of offence:

Sentence given:

Date sentenced:

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If you were sentenced to a period of imprisonment, what was the length of the prison sentence (in months)?

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4.7 Does the applicant have any civil judgments against him/her or any civil penalty under the UK Immigration Acts?

Yes go to question 4.8

No go to question 4.9

4.8 Give details for each civil judgment or any civil penalty under the UK immigration acts, starting with the most recent one.

If the applicant has received more than 2 civil judgments and/or civil penalties under the UK Immigrations Acts, photocopy this page and enclose it with this form.

Details of judgment or civil penalty 1

Date of judgment or civil penalty:

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Country where judgment was made:

Details of judgment or civil penalty 2

Date of judgment or civil penalty:

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Country where judgment made:

You must answer questions 4.9 to 4.17 below even if you have answered no to question 4.5. For help in answering these questions, see the 'Good character' section in [MN1 guide](#).

4.9 Has the applicant received any cautions (simple or conditional), warnings or reprimands in the UK or any other country?

Yes go to 4.10

No go to question 4.11

4.10 Give details for each caution (simple or conditional), warning or reprimand starting with the most recent one.

If the child has received more than 2 cautions (simple or conditional), warnings or reprimands, photocopy this page and enclose it with this form.

Details of caution (simple or conditional), warning, or reprimand 1

Date of caution, warning or reprimand:

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Country where caution, warning or reprimand received:

Details of caution (simple or conditional), warning, or reprimand 2

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Date of caution, warning or reprimand:

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Country where caution, warning or reprimand received:

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You must answer questions 4.11 to 4.17 below even if you have answered no to question 4.5. For help in answering these questions, see the 'Good character' section in the MN1 guide.

4.11 Are the child's details recorded by the police in respect of certain sexual offences (on the "sex offenders register"), or is she/he 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

4.12 Has the child ever been charged in any country with a criminal offence for which she/he has 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

4.13 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

4.14 Has the child ever been involved in, supported or encouraged terrorist activities in any country?

Yes No

4.15 Have they ever been a member of, or given support to an organisation which has been concerned in terrorism?

Yes No

4.16 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

4.17 Has the child ever engaged in any other activities which might indicate that they may not be considered a person of good character (see the 'Good Character section of the MN1 guide)?

Yes No

4.18 If you have answered yes to question 4.11, 4.12, 4.13, 4.14, 4.15, 4.16, or 4.17 you must give further details in the space provided below. If you need more space, continue on a separate sheet and enclose it with this form.

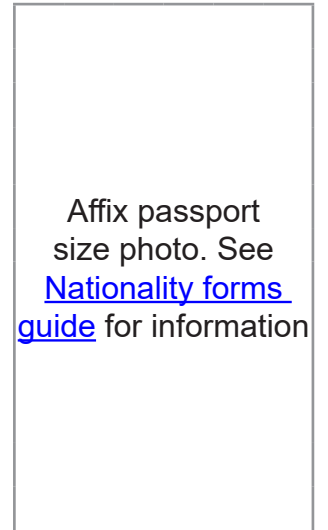
For the purposes of answering questions 4.13 to 4.17, refer to the Guide MN1 which provides guidance on actions which may constitute war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide or terrorist activities.

Section 5 - Referees and identity

Write the child’s name and date of birth on the back of a photograph of them. This should then be glued or into the space aside.

This part of the form is to be filled in by the child’s referees once the child’s photograph has been affixed aside as explained above. Your referees should read the ‘referees and identity’ section of the [Nationality forms guide](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/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.



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.

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 in the last 10 years
- 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 a 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 Date of birth:

5.4 1st referee full name:

Section 6 - Biometric enrolment

In accordance with British Nationality (General) (Amendment) (2) Regulations 2015 anyone applying for naturalisation or registration as a British citizen must register their biometric information. For more information about registering your biometric information, see the accompanying guidance notes (www.gov.uk/government/publications/form-mn1-guidance), which you must read before completing this form.

6.1 Have you had your fingerprints taken as part of a previous UK immigration application made in the UK or abroad?

Yes go to question 6.2

No go to question 6.5

6.2 Date your fingerprints were taken:

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6.3 Give details where your fingerprints were taken, including the town or city and country:

6.4 Give details of the British diplomatic posts involved if the application or applications was or were made abroad:

6.5 Do you have a medical or physical condition which may require special arrangements for your biometric features to be recorded?

Yes 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 arrangements that may be necessary.

No

Applicants under the age of 16

Complete questions 6.6, 6.7, 6.8.

(Applicants under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian.)

6.6 Is the applicant:

16 years old or more complete questions 6.1 to 6.5, then go to 6.10

less than 16 years old go to question 6.7

6.10 Declaration to be completed by all applicants

As required by British Nationality (General) (Amendment) (2) Regulations 2015, I confirm that I wish to register my biometric information.

(If applying for a person under the age of 16), I understand that the Home Office may make enquiries about any responsible adult nominated to be present when fingerprints and/or a photograph are taken.

Signature of applicant/parent or guardian:

Date:

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Section 8 - 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 £5000 or both.

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

8.1 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 all information provided by me to the Home Office will be treated in confidence; that it may be disclosed to other government departments, agencies, local authorities, the police, foreign governments and other bodies for immigration purposes or to enable them to perform their functions; and that, if such bodies provide the Home Office with any information about me which may be relevant for immigration purposes, it may be used in reaching a decision on my application.

I understand that my details may in certain circumstances be passed to fraud prevention agencies to prevent and detect fraud and money laundering. I also understand that such agencies may provide the Home Office with information about me. Further details explaining when information may be passed to or from fraud prevention agencies and how that information may be used can be obtained from the Home Office website.

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 Visas and Immigration 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.

8.2 I confirm that I have read and understood the MN1 guide

8.3 I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate registration fee

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

8.5 I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate documents

8.6 Where I have provided a photocopy of my parent's, adoptive parent's or grandparent's British passport, I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is a complete and full copy of that original document.

8.7 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.

8.8 [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.

8.9 For those applying under section 3(2) of the British Nationality Act 1981, I confirm that I am aware of the benefits of registration under section 3(5) of the 1981 Act but still wish to proceed under section 3(2).

8.10 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

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Further information not covered in other sections

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