

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 29 January 2025.

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 <u>Guide BOTC (M)</u> (www.gov.uk/government/publications/registration-as-british-if-your-mother-had-connection-to-a-british-overseas-territory). 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 Immigration Advice Authority (IAA).

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, 21/04/2024.

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:

This application is for British Overseas Territories Citizenship and British Citizenship. If you do not want to apply for both of those, please tell us which one you do not want and why:
Which territory do you have a connection with through your mother?
Information about you:
1.1 Title - please select:
Mr Mrs Miss Other (please state)
1.2 Surname/family name (note: the name you give here will be the name shown on your certificate so please ensure it is spelt correctly and you have written it in the correct order):
1.3 Other names:
1.4 Name at birth if different from above. (If the names you have given are different or spelt differently from the name shown on your passport, please explain why on a separate sheet of paper):
1.5 If you are or have ever been known by any name or names apart from those mentioned above, please give details here:
1.6 Your present nationality:

1.8 Date of birth: DDMMYYYY													
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Details of your husband

If you are a woman who would have had citizenship of the UK and colonies (CUKC status) through your mother, and before 1 January 1983 you married a man who became a British Overseas Territories citizen on that date, please give details even if you are no longer married to that man.

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2. Referees and identity

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2.3 Sex:

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 Affix passport size should read the Referees and identity section of the Nationality forms photo. See Guide guide (www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationality-forms-guide) to BOTC (M) for confirm that they are eligible. Checks will be carried out to ensure that information referees meet the requirements below and their signatures are genuine, and we may contact them as part of our enquiries. Name of applicant: 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 in the last 10 years 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. Say how you know the applicant, and state your age and profession:

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2.12 Email address:
2.13 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 £5000 or both, if I knowingly or recklessly make a false declaration.
Signature of referee: Date:

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 (www.gov.uk/government/publications/registration-as-british-if-your-mother-had-connection-to-a-british-overseas-territory), which you must read before completing this form.

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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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