



Home Office

Form BIOT

Apply to register as a British overseas territories citizen (BOTC) and British citizen

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- you have never previously held the citizenship status(es) you are applying for

Send the completed form to:

Department 163 - BIOT - (Registration for direct descendants of Chagossians)
4th Floor Capital Building
New Hall Place
Liverpool
L3 9PP

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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[Read the eligibility guidance](#) before you start your application.

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There is no application fee.

This form must be completed in English. You can use blue or black ink or complete it on your computer and print it off.

You may have to provide your biometrics (fingerprints and/ or a photograph) as part of your application. The Home Office will contact you and tell you if you are required to provide your biometrics.

Fill in those parts of the form that apply to your application and cross out all other parts. If there is not enough space for your answers, use a separate sheet of paper to provide additional information.

We recommend that you keep a copy of your application.

Each person applying for registration must complete a separate application form. Therefore a partner or child applying to register must complete a separate application form.

Applications for your children should also be on separate forms.

Guidance on other purposes for which you may apply to come to or stay in the UK is available on the visas and immigration pages of GOV.UK: www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration.

Section 1: Immigration adviser

Immigration advisers can advise you on matters relating to immigration and citizenship. More information is available at: www.gov.uk/find-an-immigration-adviser

You must tell us immediately if any of the information about your immigration adviser changes. You can find out how at: <https://eforms.homeoffice.gov.uk/outreach/AddressUpdate.ofml>. If you cannot access this link, send your changes to the Home Office return or contact address you were given when this form was sent to you (the address will be on the letter or email that accompanied this form).

Where you have an immigration adviser, we will contact them about your application and status.

1.1 Do you have an immigration adviser based in the UK?

- Yes
 No - go to section 2

1.2 Immigration adviser's name:

What is the name of your immigration adviser?

If they do not have both a given name and family name, enter their name in the 'Given name or names' field. If you do not know the name of the immigration adviser, leave this section blank.

Given name or names:

Family name:

1.3 Immigration adviser's contact email:

You must confirm with your immigration adviser if they are happy for us to use email to contact them about your application.

We may use this email address to contact them about your application and may use it to contact them about your immigration status after your application has been decided.

Emails about your immigration status may contain sensitive personal information.

Immigration adviser's email address:

Confirm immigration adviser's email address:

My immigration adviser cannot be contacted by email.

- If you select this option, we will send all correspondence to your immigration adviser's postal address.

1.4 Name of immigration adviser's organisation:

This could be their trading, company or business name.

1.5 Immigration adviser's postal address:

This must be in the UK.

Property number:

Street name:

Town/city:

UK postcode:

1.6 Immigration adviser's telephone number:

Telephone number:

1.7 Immigration adviser's reference number (if applicable):

1.8 Who regulates your immigration adviser (you should ask them to provide the answer):

- The Law Society
- The Institute of Legal Executives
- The Faculty of Advocates
- The Law Society of Scotland
- Immigration Advice Authority (IAA)
- The Law Society of Northern Ireland
- The General Council of the BAR
- Immigration adviser is exempt from regulation - state why in space below
- Immigration adviser is not regulated and is not exempt

If your immigration adviser is not regulated and not exempt we will not contact them about your application.

If exempt, state why:

Section 2: Your name

2.1 Enter your name, as shown in your current passport or travel document:

If you do not have a passport or travel document enter the name on your biometric residence permit, immigration document or birth certificate.

Your given name is usually your first name. Your family name is the surname that is shared by your family. If you have middle names, include these with your given name. If your name has a suffix (for example, Jr), include this with your given name. If you have a patronymic name include it with your given names. You must tell us all your given names.

If you do not have both a given name and a family name, enter your name or names in the 'Given name or names' field.

Given name or names:

Family name:

2.2 In addition to the names already provided, are you now or have you ever been known by another name?

You must provide all the names you are, or have been, known by. For example, if you changed your name after marriage, have a different name that you use for professional purposes or use an alias (another name you use or are known by).

If you need to include more other names you have been known by, copy this section and once completed include it with your application.

Yes

No - go to section 3

Other given name or names:

Other family name:

2.3 Why have you been known by another name?

Marriage or civil partnership

Divorce

Other

If other, give details of why you have been known by another name:

2.4 If you legally changed your name, when did you do this?

Enter the date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day Month Year

2.5 Have you ever entered the UK using this name?

Yes

No

Section 3: Your contact details

3.1 Your email address for correspondence

If possible, we may use this email as your correspondence address (if you have an immigration adviser, we will always contact them as well). We may use this to contact you about your application and may use it to contact you about your immigration status after your application has been decided. Emails sent to this address may contain sensitive personal information.

Emails may go to your spam, junk or trash folders so please check them regularly.

Enter your email address:

Confirm your email address:

You must notify us immediately if your email changes. Find out how to change your details here:

www.gov.uk/change-circumstances-visa-brp

- I cannot be contacted by email - if you select this option, we will send all correspondence to the postal address you provide.

3.2 Your telephone number

We may contact you by telephone if we have any further questions about your application, or about your immigration status after your application has been decided.

- I cannot be contacted by telephone

Enter your telephone number.

For international numbers include the country code.

Your telephone number:

You must notify us immediately if the contact number you provide as part of this application changes.

Find out how to change your details here: www.gov.uk/change-circumstances-visa-brp

3.3 Where do you use this telephone number?

You can select more than one option

- For use whilst in the UK
 For use whilst out of the UK

3.4 Your correspondence (postal) address

We will send your citizenship certificate to this address if a ceremony is not required. We may also use this address, for example, where we cannot contact you by email, or to return your documents. We may use this address for correspondence about your application and may use it to contact you about your immigration status after your application has been decided.

You must notify us immediately if your correspondence address changes. Find out how to update your details here: www.gov.uk/change-circumstances-visa-brp

Provide your correspondence (postal) address:

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

Address line 3:

Town or city:

Postal code (if applicable):

Province/Region/State:

Country:

3.5 Is this where you live?

Yes - go to question 3.7

No - go to question 3.6

3.6 If no, provide the address where you live:

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

Address line 3:

Town or city:

Postal code (if applicable):

Province/Region/State:

Country:

3.7 Have you lived at your current address for 5 years?

Yes

No

3.8 Previous address history

You must provide all the addresses that you have lived at in the UK or abroad in the past 5 years.

If you need to add details of more than one address you have lived at in the last 5 years, please photocopy this page and use it to tell us about any other addresses and include it with your application.

In the past 5 years, I have only lived at the address where I now live and have given in 3.4 or 3.6 (if you have ticked this box, go to section 4).

If you have lived at a different address in the past 5 years, where did you live:

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

Address line 3:

Town or city:

Postal code (if applicable):

Province/Region/State:

Country:

3.9 When did you start living at this address?

Enter the date in the format mm yyyy.

Month Year

3.10 When did you stop living at this address?

Enter the date in the format mm yyyy.

Month Year

Section 4: Type of citizenship

4.1 Do you already have one of the following types of citizenship?

This application is for both British Overseas Territories citizenship (BOTC) and British citizenship. You cannot apply for British citizenship unless you already have or are at the same time applying for British overseas territories citizenship (BOTC).

- I already have BOTC and want to apply for British citizenship - go to question 4.3
- I already have British citizenship and want to apply for BOTC - go to question 4.3
- I have neither of these - go to question 4.2

4.2 What type of citizenship do you want to apply for?

For more information read the guidance on different British nationality statuses.

- BOTC and British citizenship
- BOTC only (enter your reason in the box below)

If you have selected BOTC only from the options above, please enter your reason (**please note that without British citizenship, you do not have the automatic right to live in the UK**):

Citizenship ceremony

In most cases, you must attend a citizenship ceremony if your application is successful. Your local council, high commission or embassy will normally organise it and choose a location near your home.

4.3 Do you want to attend a citizenship ceremony in a different local council (if in the UK), high commission or embassy (if overseas)?

- Yes - go to question 4.4
- No

4.4 Enter the name of council, high commission or embassy and the address below.

If you are aged 17 and a half or over, enter your preferred citizenship ceremony location. This is in case your application is decided after you turn 18.

Name of council, high commission or embassy:

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

Address line 3:

Town or city:

Postal code (if applicable):

Section 5: Your sex and relationship status

Your sex

5.1 Select the sex that is on your passport or travel document:

- Male
- Female
- Other

Your relationship status

5.2 Do you have a partner?

This could be a boyfriend, girlfriend, husband, wife or civil partner.

- No, I am single - go to section 6
- Yes, I am married or in a civil partnership - go to question 5.3
- Yes, but we are not married or in a civil partnership - go to question 5.3

5.3 Have you and your partner been living together as a couple for 2 or more years?

- Yes
- No

Use your partner's passport or travel document, if they have one, to complete this section.

5.4 Enter your partner's name as shown on their passport (if they have one):

For guidance on how to enter a name, please refer to section 2, question 2.1.

Given name or names:

Family name:

5.5 Enter their date of birth:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

5.6 Your partner's nationality:

5.7 If your partner does not currently live with you, please tell us why and provide the address where they live:

5.8 Provide your partner's telephone number:

This is because we may need to contact your partner about your application.
For international numbers include the country code.

5.9 Does your partner have a valid passport:

Use your partner's passport to complete this section. If you cannot provide your partner's current and valid passport as part of this application, provide as much information about their passport details as you can and select 'No'.

Yes

No - go to section 6

5.10 Partner's passport number:

5.11 Issuing authority:

This could also be referred to as 'Country of issue' or 'Place of issue' on your partner's passport.

5.12 Issue date:

Enter the date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

5.13 Expiry date:

Enter the date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Section 6: Your nationality, country and date of birth

If you hold or have held more than 2 previous nationalities, copy this section including details on your other passports, travel documents or identity documents, complete it and include it with your application.

You must provide details of all nationalities that you hold or have ever held.

6.1 Enter your date of birth:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day

Month

Year

6.2 Your nationality:

If you have previous or additional nationalities, you will be able to add these later in the application.

6.3 Country of birth:

6.4 Place of birth:

Enter your place of birth (for example, the city or province) as shown on your passport or travel document.

Your passport details

Provide as much detail as you can of your current or most recent passport.

6.5 Passport number:

6.6 Issuing authority:

On your passport, this could also be referred to as 'Country of issue' or 'Place of issue'.

6.7 Issue date:

Enter date in format dd mm yyyy

Day

Month

Year

6.8 Expiry date:

Enter date in format dd mm yyyy

Day

Month

Year

6.9 Confirm you can provide your current passport:

I can provide this passport.

If you are able to provide your current or most recent passport with your application, go to question 6.27 (Identity cards).

6.10 If you are applying from in the UK, why are you unable to provide your current or most recent passport with your application:

If you are applying from outside the UK, go to question 6.20.

- I have lost it, or it was stolen - go to question 6.12
- I have never had a passport (for example, because you were born in the UK) - go to 6.20
- I have previously applied for permission to stay or settlement and my passport has not been returned by the Home Office - go to 6.20
- I have sent the Home Office my passport as part of someone else's application - go to 6.17
- Other

6.11 If other, explain why (then go to question 6.20 'Travel document'):

Reporting loss or theft to the police

6.12 When, how and where was the passport lost or stolen:

6.13 Have you reported the loss or theft to the police?

- Yes
- No - You must report the loss or theft to the police.
You must also obtain a police report and a crime reference number if possible.

6.14 Date you reported the loss or theft to the police:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

6.15 Name and location of the police station reported to:

Include the crime reference number if you have one.

6.16 Do you have the police report?

- Yes - now go to question 6.20
- No - now go to question 6.20

6.17 Complete this section if your passport was sent to the Home Office as part of someone else's application.

Provide as much information as possible.

Enter the name of the other person as shown on their passport. For guidance on how to enter a name, please refer to section 2, question 2.1.

Given name or names:

Family name:

6.18 This person's date of birth:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy

Day Month Year

6.19 The Home Office reference number for that person's application:

You do not need to provide this information but it may help us to process your application faster.

Your travel document

6.20 Do you have a travel document?

A travel document is a document issued by a governing body (in the UK or abroad) which acts as a temporary form of identification and allows you to travel internationally without a passport.

- Yes
- No - go to question 6.27 (Identity card)

6.21 Travel document reference number:

Provide the number as shown on your travel document.

6.22 Issuing authority:

On your travel document, this could also be referred to as 'Country of issue' or 'Place of issue'.

6.23 Issue date (if applicable):

Enter date in format dd mm yyyy.

Day Month Year

6.24 Expiry date (if applicable):

Enter date in format dd mm yyyy.

Day Month Year

6.25 Confirm you can provide this travel document?

I can provide this travel document.

6.26 If you cannot provide a travel document, explain why not.

If you have a biometric residence permit (BRP) with an expiry date that is less than 18 months ago, enter the reference here.

Proof of identity is usually required for an application.

Your identity card

Please complete this section for every nationality you hold.

6.27 Do you have a valid national identity card? If you do not have a current valid national identity card, provide details of your most recent.

This does not include driving licences.

If you have an internal passport, provide the details here.

Yes

No - go to question 6.32

6.28 National identity card number:

Provide the number as shown on your identity card.

6.29 Issuing authority:

On your identity card, this could also be referred to as 'Country of issue' or 'Place of issue'.

6.30 Issue date (if applicable):

Enter date in format dd mm yyyy

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

6.31 Expiry date (if applicable):

Enter date in format dd mm yyyy

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Other nationalities

6.32 Do you currently hold, or have you ever held, any other nationality or citizenship? You must provide all the nationalities that you currently hold or have ever held.

Yes

No
If you do not currently hold, or have never held, any other nationality or citizenship, go to section 7.

6.33 If yes, your other nationality:

6.34 Date held from:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy.

If you are unsure of the exact date, provide the month and year.

Day Month Year

6.35 Confirm if you still hold this nationality:

I still hold this nationality - go to section 7

6.36 If you no longer hold this nationality what date did it end:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy.

If you are unsure of the exact date, provide the month and year.

Day Month Year

Details about losing your other nationality

6.37 How did you lose your other nationality?

Renounced

Revoked

Deprived

Other

6.38 If you answered 'other' to question 6.37, how did you lose it:

Section 7: About your ancestor who was born in the British Indian Ocean Territory

Part A

If your parents were born in the British Indian Ocean Territory, go to Part E question 7.22.

Enter all known details about your ancestor who was born in the British Indian Ocean Territory (BIOT) who you want to base your application on.

If more than one of your ancestors was born in the BIOT, you should provide details of the ancestor you can most clearly prove you are related to as a direct descendant.

This will be one of your:

- Grandparents
- Great-grandparents
- Great-great grandparents
- Great-great-great grandparents
- Other person you are directly descended from (this does not include aunts, uncles or cousins)

7.1 Name:

Given names:

First and middle names

Family name:

If they have more than one name in their family name, enter all of them

7.2 Did they have the same name at birth?

Yes - go to question 7.4 No

7.3 If you have selected 'no' to question 7.2, please tell us in the space below their given name at birth and their family name at birth:

Given name at birth:

Family name at birth:

7.4 Place of birth:

7.5 Date of birth (for example, 3 9 1995):

Day Month Year

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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7.6 What is this person's relationship to you? Select one of the following options and then follow the instruction on which part to answer next.

- Grandparent - go to Part E
- Great-grandparent - go to Part D
- Great-great-grandparent - go to Part C
- Great-great-great-grandparent - go to Part B
- Other person you are directly descended from - go to Part F

Part B: About your great-great-grandparent

Enter the details of your great-great-grandparent who is the child of the person you entered in Part A.
Enter as many details as you know.

7.7 Name of your great-great-grandparent

Given names:

Their first and middle names

Family name:

If they have more than one name in their family name, enter all of them

7.8 Did they have the same name at birth?

Yes - go to question 7.10

No

7.9 If you have selected 'no' to question 7.8, please tell us in the space below their given name at birth and their family name at birth:

Given name at birth:

Family name at birth:

7.10 Place of birth:

7.11 Date of birth (for example, 3 9 1995):

Day Month Year

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Go to Part C.

Part C: About your great-grandparent

Enter the details of your great-grandparent who is the child of the person you entered in Part B. Enter as many details as you know.

7.12 Name of your great-grandparent

Given names:

Their first and middle names

Family name:

If they have more than one name in their family name, enter all of them

7.13 Did they have the same name at birth?

Yes - go to question 7.15

No

7.14 If you have selected 'no' to question 7.13, tell us in the space below their given name at birth and their family name at birth:

Given name at birth:

Family name at birth:

7.15 Place of birth:

7.16 Date of birth (for example, 3 9 1995):

Day

Month

Year

Go to Part D.

Part D: About your grandparent

Enter the details of your grandparent who is the child of person you entered in Part C. Enter as many details as you know.

7.17 Name of your grandparent

Given names:

Their first and middle names

Family name:

If they have more than one name in their family name, enter all of them

7.18 Did they have the same name at birth?

Yes - go to question 7.20

No

7.19 If you have selected 'no' to question 7.18, tell us in the space below their given name at birth and their family name at birth:

Given name at birth:

Family name at birth:

7.20 Place of birth:

7.21 Date of birth (for example, 3 9 1995):

Day

Month

Year

Go to Part E.

Part E: Give details about your parent

7.22 What is this person's relationship to you?

Mother

Father

7.23 Given names:

Family name:

If they do not have both a given and family name, enter their names in the Given names field.

7.24 Did they have the same name at birth?

Yes - go to question 7.26

No

7.25 If you have selected 'no' to question 7.24, tell us in the space below their given name at birth and their family name at birth:

Given name at birth:

Family name at birth:

7.26 Date of birth:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day Month Year

7.27 Town of birth:

7.28 Country of birth:

7.29 Country of nationality:

7.30 Have they always had the same nationality?

Yes

No

Part E continued: give details about your other parent

7.31 What is this person's relationship to you?

Mother

Father

7.32 Given names:

Family name:

If they do not have both a given and family name, enter their names in the Given names field.

7.33 Did they have the same name at birth?

Yes - go to question 7.35

No

7.34 If you have selected 'no' to question 7.33, tell us in the space below their given name at birth and their family name at birth:

Given name at birth:

Family name at birth:

7.35 Date of birth:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day Month Year

7.36 Town of birth:

7.37 Country of birth:

7.38 Country of nationality:

7.39 Have they always had the same nationality?

Yes

No

Part F:

7.40 Tell us about the people who show you are directly descended from the person you entered at Part A as 'other person you are directly descended from'.

You will need to provide:

- name of the person you are directly descended from**
- given name at birth (if different to the name they have now)**
- place of birth**
- date of birth**

You can enter the details of more than one person.

Section 8: Referees and identity

This part is to be filled in by your referees after you have fixed a photograph of yourself in the space provided below. Your referees should read the Nationality Policy: General Information guidance to confirm that they are eligible. This guidance can be found on GOV.UK:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/british-nationals-nationality-policy-guidance

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.

Insert photograph in this space:

Name of applicant:

8.1 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, accountant or solicitor (who is not representing you with this application). In the case of a child under 18, this 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 should usually be 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 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 attached photograph above is a true likeness of the applicant. I confirm each of the points in 8.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the personal details of the applicant given on this form are correct.

8.2 Say how you know the applicant and state your age and profession:

8.3 1st referee name:

For guidance on how to enter a name, please refer to section 2, question 2.1.

Given name or names:

Family name:

8.4 1st referee's sex:

Male

Female

Other

8.5 1st referee's address:

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

Town/city:

Postcode (if applicable):

Province/Region/State:

Country:

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

8.6 Enter 1st referee's telephone number:

8.7 1st referee's email address:

8.8 1st referee's current 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 £5000 or both if I knowingly or recklessly make a false declaration.

Signature of 1st referee:

Date:
Enter in format dd mm yyyy

2nd Referee declaration

I declare that I am qualified to act as a referee.

The attached photograph above is a true likeness of the applicant. I confirm each of the points in 7.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the personal details of the applicant given on this form are correct.

8.9 Say how you know the applicant and state your age and profession:

8.10 2nd referee name:

For guidance on how to enter a name, please refer to section 2, question 2.1.

Given name or names:

Family name:

8.11 2nd referee's sex:

- Male
 Female
 Other

8.12 2nd referee's address:

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

Town/city:

UK postcode (if applicable):

Province/Region/State:

Country:

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

8.13 Enter 2nd referee's telephone number:

8.14 2nd referee's email address:

8.15 2nd referee's current 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 £5000 or both if I knowingly or recklessly make a false declaration.

Signature of 2nd referee:

Date:
Enter in format dd mm yyyy

Section 9: Biometric enrolment

Responsible adult for biometrics (only required for children under 16)

If you are 16 years old or above, you do not need to complete this section - go to Section 10.

9.1 Who will be with you when you give your biometrics?

You must have an adult of at least 18 years old with you when you give your biometrics. The adult must be able to prove who they are. They must bring one of the following documents:

- passport
- UK driver's licence
- biometric residence permit (BRP) - they can still use an expired BRP if the expiry date was less than 18 months ago
- national identity card

These are the only accepted forms of identification.

Enter their name as shown on their document. For guidance on how to enter a name, please refer to section 2, question 2.1.

Given name or names:

Family name:

9.2 Country of nationality:

9.3 Date of birth:

Enter date in the format dd mm yyyy.

Day Month Year

9.4 What is their telephone number?

For international numbers include the country code.

Telephone number:

9.5 What is your relationship to your responsible adult?

For example, your parent, legal guardian, uncle, teacher or family friend.

9.6 If the responsible adult is not your parent or legal guardian, explain why your parent or legal guardian will not be with you when you give your biometrics:

Section 10: Other information

10.1 If there is any other information you wish to be considered as part of your application, tell us here:

Section 11: Documents

If you are applying from outside of the UK do not post your supporting documentation to the UK. We will contact you within 15 working days about providing your biometrics (fingerprints and facial photograph) and providing your documents. If you are applying from inside the UK, you will need to post your supporting documentation with your application.

You **must** provide these documents as part of your application if you are applying from inside the UK or if you are applying from outside the UK you will be asked to provide these documents:

- your passport (if you have one)
- if you are under 18, a letter of consent to the application from your parents or legal guardians (this is only needed if your parent is not completing your application)
- 2 referee declarations

You will need to provide evidence that you are directly descended from your ancestor who was born on the British Indian Ocean Territory.

Documents that **may** help your application include:

- your full birth certificate
- the full birth certificate of your parent who is directly descended from your ancestor born on the British Indian Ocean Territory
- the full birth certificate of any other direct descendants between your ancestor and your parent
- evidence of any name changes by you or other direct descendants of your ancestor, for example marriage or civil partnership certificates

If you cannot provide evidence

If you have no evidence at all, or if you are missing some evidence that proves a link to your ancestor, explain why below. You will still be able to apply.

Section 12: Declaration

By sending this application, you confirm that to the best of your knowledge and belief the following is correct:

- the information relating to the application
- the supporting evidence

I understand that the data I have given can be used as set out in the privacy policy: www.gov.uk/government/publications/personal-information-use-in-borders-immigration-and-citizenship.

I understand that organisations, including financial institutions, may provide information to the Home Office when requested in relation to this application.

If I am acting on behalf of the applicant, I have discussed with them and confirmed that the contents of the application are correct and complete and they are aware of the privacy policy: www.gov.uk/government/publications/personal-information-use-in-borders-immigration-and-citizenship. If the applicant is unable to act on their own behalf, I confirm I am authorised to act for them in relation to this application.

I understand the application fee will not be refunded if the application is refused.

I understand that if false information is given, the application can be refused and I may be prosecuted, and, if I am the applicant, I may be banned from the UK.

I confirm that:

- I am the applicant aged 18 or over.
- I am the applicant aged under 18.
- I am the parent or legal guardian of the applicant who is aged under 18 and I am completing and submitting the form on their behalf.
- I am submitting the form on behalf of the applicant

Signature:

Date:
dd mm yyyy

Third party declaration

The applicant has agreed that I can complete this application on their behalf and the applicant has confirmed that the contents of the application and the supporting evidence are correct and complete.

In what capacity are you representing the applicant?

- Immigration adviser
 Family member
 Other

Third party declaration: your details

Enter your name as shown on your passport (if you have one):
For guidance on how to enter a name, please refer to section 2, question 2.1.

Given name or names:

Family name:

Telephone number:

Only include numbers and for international numbers include the country code.

Telephone number:

Email address:

Address:

Property number:

Street name:

Town/city:

Postcode (if applicable):

Province/Region/State:

Country:

Signature:

Date (dd mm yyyy):