



This information is provided to help you complete the application form and guide you through the application process.

Important – Please read this information carefully before you complete your application. Once you have completed your application we strongly advise that you keep a copy for your records.

There are 4 steps in the citizenship application process for citizenship by descent.

- Step 1** Eligibility – determine if you are eligible
- Step 2** Original documents – gather your original documents
- Step 3** Copy and certify your documents
- Step 4** Complete and lodge your application form

## Need help?

The **citizenship website** provides more detailed information [www.citizenship.gov.au](http://www.citizenship.gov.au)

**In Australia** – The **Citizenship Information Line** provides recorded information and access to information officers. Telephone **131 880** Monday to Friday 8.30am – 4.30pm.

**Outside Australia** – The citizenship website provides the location, hours of operation and telephone numbers for offices of the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the department) outside Australia.

## Integrity of application

The department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship programs. If you or a third party acting on your behalf provide, or have provided in a previous application, false or misleading information or documents (either knowingly or otherwise), this application may be refused. In addition, you may be prosecuted under the *Migration Act 1958* and/or the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007*. If information or documents are found to be fraudulent or misleading after you become an Australian citizen, you may be prosecuted and may be subject to revocation of your Australian citizenship.

## Step 1 – Eligibility

If you were born outside Australia on or after 26 January 1949, you may be eligible for Australian citizenship by descent if at least one person who was your parent at the time of your birth was also an Australian citizen at the time of your birth. If your Australian citizen parent was a citizen by descent or full Hague adoption, then that parent must have spent at least 2 years in Australia before you make your application.

If you were born outside Australia or New Guinea **before** 26 January 1949 you may be eligible for Australian citizenship by descent if at least one of your parents became an Australian citizen on 26 January 1949, **and** that parent was born in Australia or New Guinea, or was naturalised in Australia before your birth.

All applicants 18 years or over must be of good character.

Australian citizenship commences on the date the application is approved. You do not need to attend a citizenship ceremony.

### If you were born through an international surrogacy arrangement

Please read Fact sheet 36a *International Surrogacy Arrangements*.

### If you were adopted

Please read Fact sheet 36 *Adopting a Child from Overseas*.

If you were adopted you should only use this form if a person who was your parent at the time of your birth was also an Australian citizen at that time.

If you did not have an Australian citizen parent at the time of your birth and you were:

- adopted under full Hague Convention arrangements you should use form 1272
- adopted by an Australian citizen under a law of an Australian state or territory and you were in Australia as a permanent resident at that time you may have automatically acquired Australian citizenship. You may apply for evidence of Australian citizenship using form 119.

If you were adopted under other arrangements and are a permanent resident you may be eligible to apply for Australian citizenship (form 1290 if under 18 years or form 1300t if 18 years or over).

### Children

Applications for children under 16 years of age must be made by a responsible parent.

The *Australian Citizenship Act 2007* defines responsible parent in relation to a child as:

- a parent, unless that parent does not have parental responsibility because of orders made by the Family Court of Australia, or
- any person having responsibility over the child because of an order made by the Family Court, or
- any person who has guardianship or custody of the child under an Australian law or a foreign law, whether because of adoption, operation of law, an order of a court or otherwise.

Home page [www.citizenship.gov.au](http://www.citizenship.gov.au)

Citizenship  
Information Line

Telephone **131 880** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours). If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.

## Step 2 – Original documents

You will need to provide the department with a range of documents to prove that you are who you say you are and to establish you have not had any serious criminal convictions. These documents are called **proof of identity** and **good character** documents.

You will also need to provide additional documents that show one of your parents was an Australian citizen at the time of your birth. These are called **supporting documents**.

### Translations and certified copies

If your documents are not in English, you **must** provide official translations. In Australia, you must use translators accredited by the National Accreditation Authority of Translators and Interpreters. For more information, see [www.naati.com.au](http://www.naati.com.au)

Unless specified that original documents are required, certified copies of original documents must be attached to your application. These copies must be certified by a person with the appropriate authority. See *Identity declarations – list of professions* on pages 5 and 6 for people who may certify documents.

If you are outside Australia when applying, contact the Australian diplomatic mission in the country who issued the documents for advice on acceptable translators, and who can certify your original documents.

If you need to provide overseas penal clearance certificates with your application, you must provide **original** certificates.

### Proof of identity

#### Applicants 16 years of age or over

To prove your identity you **must** provide the following documents.

- Three original documents that collectively show your:
  - photograph
  - signature
  - current residential address
  - birth name, date of birth and gender.
- Proof of change of name, if applicable.
- Part D – Identity declaration* completed by a person with the appropriate authority.

**If you do not provide these documents, your application will not be accepted and will be returned to you.**

#### Children

If you are an applicant under 16 years of age, you **must** provide the following:

- Proof of identity documents that show a:
  - birth name and date of birth
  - photograph and current name, if available.
- Proof of change of name, if applicable.
- Part D – Identity declaration* completed by a person with the appropriate authority.

The checklist below will help you identify suitable documents. If you have difficulty finding suitable documents please call the Citizenship Information Line or, if outside Australia call your nearest Australian diplomatic mission, before you complete and lodge your application.

## Proof of identity checklist

### Applicants 16 years of age or over

#### A current document with your photograph and/or signature

An Australian driver's licence, <b>or</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A passport, <b>or</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) document, <b>or</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A national identity card, <b>or</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Another document containing a signature and photograph, eg. an air crew identity document, seafarer identity document, military identity document or student card	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### Evidence of your current residential address

A utilities notice eg. electricity, gas or water bill, bank notice, <b>or</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rental contracts or rates notice	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### Evidence of your date of birth, birth name and any changes of name

A full birth certificate, <b>and</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence of links between present and previous names, for example an official marriage, divorce or change of name certificate, if applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### Evidence of your identity in the community

One passport-sized photograph and identity declaration signed by an Australian citizen with the appropriate authority	<input type="checkbox"/>
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#### Children

The following documents are required if the applicant is a child under 16 years of age

A full birth certificate or family register containing parent's details <b>Note:</b> In some circumstances the department may request DNA testing. See form 1259i <i>Information about DNA testing for visa and citizenship applicants</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence of links between birth name and current name, if applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>
A passport or other travel documents, if any	
One passport-sized photograph and identity declaration signed by an Australian citizen with the appropriate authority	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Identity declaration

As well as your proof of identity documents, you will need to provide an identity declaration and an endorsed passport-sized photograph of yourself.

The **identity declaration** must be completed and signed by a person who:

- is an Australian citizen (if you are applying in Australia) or is a citizen of your country of residence (if you are applying outside Australia), **and**
- has known you for at least one year and belongs to a profession on the list on pages 5 and 6, **and**
- is not related to you by birth, marriage or de facto relationship, **and**
- is easy to contact by telephone during normal working hours.

The person who signs the declaration must also write on the back of your photograph the words: *This is a true photograph of (your full name)* and sign the back of the photograph using the same signature as on the declaration.

The photograph should be carefully attached to the front of the application form without obscuring the image, or you can place the photograph in a plastic sleeve or envelope and staple it to the form.

The photograph must be:

- no more than 6 months old
- a full-face view of your head and shoulders (untinted prescription glasses can be worn – a photograph that shows facial features only is acceptable if you wear a head covering for religious reasons)
- of good quality, in colour, against a plain, light coloured background (laser copies are not acceptable).

**Note:** If you are outside Australia when applying you can have the identity declaration completed by a citizen of your country of residence who has known you for at least one year and belongs to a profession on the list on pages 5 and 6.

## Children under 6 years of age

In the case of children under 6 years of age, if no Australian citizen has known them for at least one year, then the declaration can be signed by someone who belongs to a profession on the list on pages 5 and 6 who has known the child for less than one year.

## Good character

If you are 18 years of age or over, the department will request a National Police check from the National Police Checking Service (NPCS).

If you are 18 years of age or over, you will also need to complete form 80 *Personal particulars for assessment including character assessment*.

You must tell the department about any convictions you may have had in Australia or overseas. A conviction is a criminal charge leading to a guilty verdict in a court of law resulting in imprisonment, a fine or good behaviour bond. A traffic infringement, such as an on-the-spot speeding or parking fine, is not considered a conviction.

## Spent convictions

You must declare spent convictions in your application.

The spent convictions law allows people with minor convictions to disregard those convictions after a certain period of time. A conviction may be considered spent if:

- it is 10 years since the date of the conviction (or 5 years for juvenile offenders), **and**
- the person was not sentenced to imprisonment for more than 30 months, **and**
- the person has not re-offended during the 10 years (or 5 years for juveniles) period, **and**
- a statutory or prescribed exclusion does not apply.

The department is allowed to ask you for this information for the purpose of assessing your application. Please refer to and read the information regarding spent convictions at **[www.citizenship.gov.au](http://www.citizenship.gov.au)**

## Overseas penal clearance certificates

Overseas penal clearance certificates, or police checks as they are known in some countries, show whether a person has a criminal record.

You may need to supply an overseas penal clearance certificate as part of your documentation if you are 18 years of age or over.

## When to provide overseas penal clearance certificates

You will need to provide penal clearance certificates from overseas countries if, in the last 10 years:

- you lived or travelled outside Australia since turning 18, **and**
- the total time spent outside Australia added up to 12 months or more, **and**
- the time spent in any one country was more than 90 days, **or**
- if requested by the department.

You will need to provide **original** overseas penal clearance certificates from each country where you spent more than 90 days.

In addition, if you are applying at an Immigration Office outside Australia you will need to provide a penal clearance certificate for ANY time spent in Australia since the age of 18 years. You will need to complete an *Australian Federal Police (AFP) National Police Check Application Form*, which is available from the AFP website **[www.afp.gov.au](http://www.afp.gov.au)**

Information about where to obtain an overseas penal clearance certificate by country can be obtained from the citizenship website or contact the Citizenship Information Line.

## Supporting documents

To support your application for Australian citizenship by descent you will also need to provide:

### Evidence that one of your parents was an Australian citizen at the time of your birth

Your Australian citizen parent's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• full Australian birth certificate issued before 20 August 1986, <b>or</b></li><li>• Australian citizenship certificate or naturalisation certificate, <b>or</b></li><li>• Australian passport issued after 1 July 2005</li></ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If your Australian citizen parent was a citizen by descent or full Hague adoption, you will be asked to provide evidence that your parent had been lawfully present in Australia for a total of at least 2 years. If you do not have any evidence of your parent having resided in Australia you can contact the National Archives of Australia to check their records	<input type="checkbox"/>
For children born through surrogacy arrangements, documents confirming that an Australian citizen is the parent of the child. If you do not have documents confirming this you may be requested to undertake a DNA test. You should not undertake a DNA test unless requested to do so	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Evidence of other citizenships held by your Australian citizen parent

Letter or certificate showing date of acquisition, if applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>
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### Evidence of your current citizenship

A passport or other travel documents, if any	<input type="checkbox"/>
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### Documents relating to the responsible parent applying on behalf of a child under 16 years of age

Proof of identification documents that collectively show a signature, photograph, and a current residential address, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a passport</li><li>• driver's licence</li><li>• credit card or utilities bill</li></ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any orders relating to the custody, guardianship or parental responsibility for this child, if applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>

You may be required to provide additional documents to those listed.

If you are overseas when you are applying, you should contact your nearest Australian overseas post or see their website for more information before lodging your application.

## Step 3 – Copy and certify your documents

**Do not post original documents to the department, unless specified otherwise.**

If you have to get documents from overseas this can take time. You will not be able to complete the application process without these documents.

**In Australia** – If you lodge your application at an office of the department, bring your original documents with you.

If you are posting your application to the department, certified copies are required with your application, except for overseas penal clearance certificates which must be the original document. Copies of documents should be certified by a person who belongs to a profession on the list on pages 5 and 6.

**Outside Australia** – If you lodge your application at an office of the department, bring your original documents with you. Your original documents can be copied and checked by an officer of the department and returned to you. Otherwise, you can have your original documents certified and the identity declaration completed by a citizen of your country of residence. Copies of documents should be certified by a person who belongs to a profession on the list on pages 5 and 6.

If you need to provide overseas penal clearance certificates, you must provide the original document.

## Step 4 – Complete and lodge your application form

Please use a pen, and write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS. Corrections made with liquid paper are not acceptable.

**Part A – Your details** – Part A requires you to provide your personal details.

**If you change address during the application process you must tell the department your new address.** See form 929 *Change of address and/or passport details*.

**Part B – Your parents** – Part B requires you to provide the personal details of both your parents including whether they have been known by any other names.

**Part C – Proof of identity** – Part C requires you to list the documents you are providing to prove your identity. See page 2 for information about this part of the application.

**Part D – Identity declaration** – Part D is **not** to be completed by the applicant. See page 3 for information about who should complete the *Identity declaration* and sign the back of the photograph.

**Part E – Good character** – If you are 18 years of age or over, you will be assessed against the good character requirement. Complete this part to assist with this assessment. See page 3 for information about this part of the application.

**Part F – Supporting documents** – Part F requires you to list the supporting documents you are providing with your application. See page 4 for information about this part of the application.

**Part G – Nomination of representative** – Part G allows you to nominate another person who can make enquiries about your application on your behalf. Make sure you sign the authorisation at Part G if you want this to happen.

**Part H – Payment details** – To make a payment, please pay by credit card, debit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. Debit card and credit card are the preferred methods of payment. Generally, fees are not refundable.

**Outside Australia** – Before making a payment outside Australia, please check with the Australian mission overseas where you intend to lodge your application as to what methods of payment and currencies they can accept and to whom the payment should be made payable.

**Part I – Declaration** – Carefully read and make sure you understand the terms of this declaration before signing it. If the applicant is under 16 years of age, the responsible parent must sign the declaration on page 14 on behalf of the child.

### Lodging your application

If you are **in Australia**, the application, certified copies of documents and fee should be lodged at the Tasmanian office of the department.

Department of Immigration and Border Protection  
GPO Box 794  
HOBART TAS 7001

If you are **outside Australia**, the application, documents and fee should be lodged with your nearest Australian diplomatic mission, see [www.citizenship.gov.au](http://www.citizenship.gov.au)

### Pre-lodgement checklist

Completed application form	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completed form 80, if applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proof of identity documents	<input type="checkbox"/>
One passport-sized photograph and identity declaration signed by an Australian citizen with the appropriate authority	<input type="checkbox"/>
Original overseas penal clearance certificates, if applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>
Supporting documents as required	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence of current residential address	<input type="checkbox"/>
The application fee	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Notification

If your application is approved you will be notified in writing. You will become an Australian citizen on the day your application is approved. You will also receive an extract recording your registration as a citizen by descent.

The extract is not formal evidence of citizenship. If you wish to obtain legal evidence of your Australian citizenship, you can apply for evidence on form 119 *Application for evidence of Australian citizenship*.

### If your application is refused

If your application is refused you have the right to ask for the decision to be reviewed by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT). Your letter of notification will advise you where you can lodge an application for review. You should lodge your application with the AAT as soon as possible.

### Identity declarations – list of professions

People from the following list of professions and occupations can certify copies of original documents, complete identity declarations and endorse photographs. They must:

- be an Australian citizen, **or**
- a citizen of your country of residence if no Australian citizen is known to you **and** you are applying overseas

#### AND

- have known you for at least one year
  - not be related to you by birth, marriage or de facto relationship
  - be easy to contact by telephone during normal working hours.
1. Australian Consular Officer or Australian Diplomatic Officer (within the meaning of the *Consular Fees Act 1955*)
  2. Bailiff
  3. Bank officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
  4. Building society officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
  5. Chiropractor (licensed or registered)
  6. Clerk of court
  7. Commissioner for Affidavits
  8. Commissioner for Declarations
  9. Credit union officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
  10. Dentist (licensed or registered)
  11. Fellow of the National Tax Accountants' Association
  12. Finance company officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
  13. Judge of a court
  14. Justice of the peace
  15. Legal practitioner (licensed or registered)
  16. Magistrate
  17. Marriage celebrant licensed or registered under Sub-division C of Division 1 of Part IV of the *Marriage Act 1961*
  18. Master of a court
  19. Medical practitioner (licensed or registered)
  20. Member of Chartered Secretaries Australia
  21. Member of Engineers Australia, other than at the grade of student
  22. Member of the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants
  23. Member of the Australian Defence Force with 5 or more years of continuous service
  24. Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, the Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants or the National Institute of Accountants
  25. Member of the Parliament of the Commonwealth, a State, a Territory Legislature, or a local government authority of a State or Territory

26. Minister of religion licensed or registered under Subdivision A of Division 1 of Part IV of the *Marriage Act 1961*
  27. Nurse (licensed or registered)
  28. Optometrist (licensed or registered)
  29. Permanent employee of Commonwealth, State or local government authority with at least 5 or more years of continuous service
  30. Permanent employee of the Australian Postal Corporation with 5 or more years of continuous service
  31. Pharmacist (licensed or registered)
  32. Physiotherapist (licensed or registered)
  33. Police officer
  34. Psychologist (licensed or registered)
  35. Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, of a court
  36. Sheriff
  37. Teacher employed on a full-time basis at a school or tertiary education institution
  38. Veterinary surgeon (licensed or registered).
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### Important information about privacy

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988*. Important information about the collection, use and disclosure (to other agencies and third parties, including overseas entities) of your personal information, including sensitive information, is contained in form 1442i *Privacy notice*. Form 1442i is available from the department's website [www.immi.gov.au/allforms/](http://www.immi.gov.au/allforms/) or offices of the department. You should ensure that you read and understand form 1442i before completing this form.

Personal identifiers collected under the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007* are photographs and signatures. The department and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) have signed an arrangement in accordance with the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007* that permits disclosure of your personal identifiers for the purposes of administering the *Australian Passport Act 2005*. When your application for Australian citizenship is approved, your photograph, client number, name, date of birth and gender will be provided to DFAT.

### Consent to communicate electronically

The department may need to convey sensitive information about your application to you. Electronic communication, unless adequately encrypted, is not secure and may be viewed by others or interfered with. The Australian Government accepts no responsibility for the security or integrity of any information sent to the department over the internet or by other electronic means.

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*Citizenship Information Line* Telephone **131 880** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours). If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.

*Please keep these information pages for your reference*



# Application for Australian citizenship by descent

**To be completed by an applicant aged 16 years or over or by a responsible parent on behalf of an applicant under 16 years of age.**

Please read the information pages before completing this application.  
 Please use a pen, and write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS.  
 Tick where applicable

**PHOTOGRAPH**  
 You must attach the endorsed photograph of the applicant to this page.  
 The photograph must be attached without obscuring the image, or can be placed in a plastic sleeve and stapled to this page.

Client ID
Box File Number

## Part A – Your details

**1** Preferred title Mr  Mrs  Miss  Ms   
 Other

**2** Your full name (this will appear on your citizenship extract)  
 Family name   
 Given names (including all middle names)

**3** Have you been known by any other names?  
 (including name at birth, previous married names, aliases, alternative spellings or full spelling of all names)  
 No   
 Yes  Give details  
 Family name   
 Given names   
 Reason for change of name   
 If you have been known by more than one other name, attach additional details on a separate sheet.

**4** Sex Male  Female

**5** Date of birth

**6** Place of birth  
 Town/city   
 Country

**7** Residential addresses over the last 5 years  
 If insufficient space, attach a separate signed sheet with details  
 Current address

**Note:** You must tell the department if your address changes after you lodge this form.  
  
  
 POSTCODE

Previous address 1 (if applicable)  
 Date from  to   
  
  
 POSTCODE

Previous address 2 (if applicable)  
 Date from  to   
  
  
 POSTCODE

**8** Current postal address  
 (If the same as your residential address, write 'AS ABOVE')  
**Note:** You must tell the department if your address changes after you lodge this form.

POSTCODE

**9 Telephone numbers**

Work

Home

Mobile/cell

**10 Do you agree to the department communicating with you by fax, email or other electronic means?**

No

Yes  Give details

Fax number

Email address

**11 Were you adopted or born through a surrogacy arrangement?**

No

Yes  Please read Fact sheet 36a *International Surrogacy Arrangements* before proceeding

**12 Were you adopted?**

No

Yes  Use this form only if a person who was your parent at the time of your birth was also an Australian citizen at that time

**13 Present country(ies) of citizenship**

**14 Details from your passport**

Passport number

Passport type: Government  UN Refugee  Private

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Issuing authority/  
Place of issue as shown in passport

**15 Do you have an Australian driver licence?**

No

Yes  Give details

Australian driver licence number

Issuing state/territory

**16 Do you have an Australian firearms licence?**

No

Yes  Give details

Firearms licence number

Issuing state/territory

**17 Give the visa label number used by the applicant on their last entry to Australia (if applicable)**

Visa label number

If granted a visa without a label, please provide the 13-digit visa grant number, as shown on the letter notifying the applicant of the grant of the visa

**Part B – Your parents**

Provide details of one Australian citizen parent at Question 18 and the other parent at Question 19

**18 Parent**

Sex Male  Female

Parent's full name

Family name

Given names

Has this parent been known by any other names? (including name at birth, previous married names, aliases)

No

Yes  Give details

Family name

Given names

If known by other names, attach additional details

Date of birth

Place of birth

Town/city

Country

Was this parent an Australian citizen at the time of your birth?

No

Yes  How did this parent acquire their Australian citizenship?

Birth  Adoption

Conferral/grant  Born in Papua prior to independence

Naturalisation  Other

Descent

Date acquired (if known)

Place acquired (if known)

If this parent was an Australian citizen by descent or full Hague adoption at the time of your birth, give details of the period or periods totalling at least 2 years that this parent has lawfully been in Australia

From  to

From  to

If insufficient space, attach additional details



Does this parent hold the citizenship of any countries other than Australia, or if this parent is deceased, did they hold the citizenship of any countries other than Australia when they died?

No

Yes  Give details

Country

Date acquired

Method of acquiring this citizenship (eg. birth, descent, naturalisation/grant)

If insufficient space, attach additional details

If the applicant is a child under 16 years of age, has this parent been excluded through a court of law from having custody or parental responsibility of the child?

No

Yes

To be answered ONLY if this parent was born outside Australia and registered or naturalised before 8 October 1951.

Was this parent absent from Australia for a continuous period of 7 years or more between 26 January 1949 and 8 October 1958?

No

Yes  Show period absent

From  to

19 Parent

Sex Male  Female

Parent's full name

Family name

Given names

Has this parent been known by any other names? (including name at birth, previous married names, aliases)

No

Yes  Give details

Family name

Given names

If known by other names, attach additional details

Date of birth

Place of birth

Town/city

Country

Was this parent an Australian citizen at the time of your birth?

No

Yes  How did this parent acquire their Australian citizenship?

Birth  Adoption 
Conferral/grant  Born in Papua prior to independence 
Naturalisation  Other 
Descent

Date acquired (if known)

Place acquired (if known)

If this parent was an Australian citizen by descent or full Hague adoption at the time of your birth, give details of the period or periods totalling at least 2 years that this parent has lawfully been in Australia

From  to

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If insufficient space, attach additional details

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No

Yes  Give details

Country

Date acquired

Method of acquiring this citizenship (eg. birth, descent, naturalisation/grant)

If insufficient space, attach additional details

If the applicant is a child under 16 years of age, has this parent been excluded through a court of law from having custody or parental responsibility of the child?

No

Yes

To be answered ONLY if this parent was born outside Australia and registered or naturalised before 8 October 1951.

Was this parent absent from Australia for a continuous period of 7 years or more between 26 January 1949 and 8 October 1958?

No

Yes  Show period absent

From  to

## Part C – Proof of identity

**20** If you are 16 years of age or over, you must provide at least 3 documents which collectively contain your:

- photograph
- signature
- current address
- date of birth, birth name and gender.

You must also provide proof of any changes of name, if applicable, and a completed *Part D – Identity declaration*.

**If you do not provide these documents your application will not be accepted and will be returned to you.**

**Do not post original documents to the department. If you are posting your application attach certified copies.**

Please list the documents you are providing as proof of your identity (see *Step 2 – Original documents* on page 2)

### Applicants 16 years of age or over

A current document with your photograph and signature

Evidence of your current residential address

Evidence of your date of birth, birth name and any changes of name

Evidence of your identity in the community

### Children

Evidence of the child's date of birth and birth name

A document with the child's photograph and current name

Evidence of any changes of name, if applicable

Evidence to show the link between the child and the Australian citizen parent

Evidence of the child's identity in the community

## Part D – Identity declaration

**21** The identity declaration **IS NOT TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT** (See *Identity declaration* on page 3)

*I declare that I have known* (full name of the applicant)

Family name

Given names

for  year(s) and vouch for his/her identity.

*I have endorsed the back of his/her photograph*

**Signature of person making this declaration**

Date

### Details of person making this declaration

Family name

Given names

Telephone numbers

Work

Home

Mobile/cell

Are you an Australian citizen? No  Yes

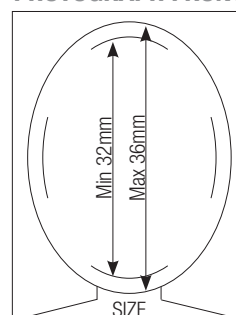
Profession or occupation group number from pages 5 and 6

The photograph **IS NOT TO BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT.**

The person who has completed the *Identity declaration* above should also endorse the photograph.

### Example of photograph requirements

#### PHOTOGRAPH FRONT



#### PHOTOGRAPH BACK

"This is a true photograph of"

JOHN CITIZEN  
(full name of applicant)

PSmith  
(signature)

## Part E – Good character

**22** In the last 10 years, have you lived or travelled outside Australia for periods totalling 12 months or more and were aged 18 years or over at the time?

No

Yes  List overseas countries where you have spent more than 90 days and attach **original** penal clearance certificates from those countries

(See *Overseas penal clearance certificates* on page 3)


**23** Please answer the following questions

- (a) Have you been convicted of, or found guilty of, ANY offences overseas or in Australia (include all traffic offences which went to court, including offences declared in your permanent residence application, and any 'spent' convictions)? No  Yes
- (b) Have you been confined in a prison or in a psychiatric institution by order of a court made in connection with criminal proceedings overseas or in Australia? No  Yes
- (c) Have you committed, or been involved in the commission of war crimes or crimes against humanity or human rights overseas or in Australia? No  Yes
- (d) Are you presently under a probation order, good behaviour bond, on parole, released on licence or subject to periodic detention overseas or in Australia? No  Yes
- (e) Are you aware of any proceedings pending against you overseas or in Australia for an offence, including proceedings by way of appeal or review? No  Yes
- (f) Have you ever been involved in any activity, or been convicted of any offence, relating to the illegal movement of people to any country (including Australia)? No  Yes
- (g) Have you ever been charged with any offence overseas or in Australia that is currently awaiting legal action? No  Yes
- (h) Have you ever been associated with terrorist organisations or involved in acts of terrorism overseas or in Australia? No  Yes
- (i) Have you ever been removed or deported from any country (including Australia)? No  Yes
- (j) Have you ever been involved in activities that would represent a risk to Australian national security? No  Yes

If you answered 'Yes' to any of the above questions, you must give ALL relevant details. If the matter relates to a criminal conviction, please give the nature of the offence, full details of sentence and dates of any period of imprisonment or other detention.


### 24 Consent

- I consent to my personal information being provided to the National Police Checking Service (NPCS) for the purpose of the NPCS conducting a National Police check in relation to me as part of my application for Australian citizenship.
- I understand that this is for the purposes of assessing whether I am of good character and whether the Offences provision, as defined in section 24(6) of the Australian Citizenship Act 2007, applies to me.
- I understand that more than one police check may be requested by the department, including a further check that may be undertaken if I am not approved as an Australian citizen and I request an appeal of the decision.
- I acknowledge that my personal information will be disclosed to Australian police agencies for them to use for their respective law enforcement purposes including the investigation of any outstanding criminal offences.
- I acknowledge that I have read the National Police Checking Service – General Information and understand the spent convictions legislation.
- I understand that spent convictions of specific offences (10 years from the date of conviction for adults, or 5 years from the date of conviction for juvenile offenders) will be disclosed to the department by Australian police agencies for the purposes outlined above.

See [www.citizenship.gov.au](http://www.citizenship.gov.au) for information about good character, the *Offences* provision, spent convictions and the *National Police Checking Service – General Information*.

**Signature of applicant**


Date

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## Part F – Supporting documents

- 25** You are required to provide supporting documents with your application (See *Step 2 – Original documents* on page 2)

What type of document are you attaching?

Evidence that at least one person who was your parent at the time of your birth was also an Australian citizen at that time	<input type="checkbox"/>
If your parent was a citizen by descent, evidence that this parent was a resident of Australia for at least 2 years	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence of the Australian citizen parent's name change and links between names, if applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence of other citizenships held by your Australian citizen parent, if any	<input type="checkbox"/>
Passports held, if any	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Documents relating to the responsible parent if applying on behalf of a child under 16 years of age

Proof of identification documents for the responsible parent applying on behalf of the child	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any order relating to the custody, guardianship or parental responsibility for the child	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Part G – Nomination of representative

- 26** Do you want to nominate a person to make enquiries about your application on your behalf?

No  ► **Go to Part H**

Yes  ► Give details below

### Nominated person

Family name

Given names

Date of birth  DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Relationship to main applicant

### Telephone numbers

Work  (AREA CODE )

Home  (AREA CODE )

Mobile/cell

- 27 Authority to disclose information**

*I hereby authorise the Department of Immigration and Border Protection to release information about my application to the person named above. I understand that the authority will remain effective until my application is finalised and should I wish to cancel or change this authorisation I may do so by advising the department in writing.*

**Signature of applicant**



Date  DAY MONTH YEAR / /

## Part H – Payment details

**28** How will you pay your application fee?

**Note:** A surcharge may apply to payments made by credit card. Further information is available from [www.immi.gov.au/fees-charges/how-to-pay.htm](http://www.immi.gov.au/fees-charges/how-to-pay.htm)

If applying **in Australia**, debit card or credit card are the preferred methods of payment. Debit cards cannot be used for applications lodged by mail. If paying by bank cheque or money order please make payable to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection.

If applying from **outside Australia**, please check with the Australian mission overseas where you intend to lodge your application as to what methods of payment and currencies they can accept and to whom the payment should be made payable.

- Bank cheque
- Money order
- Debit card  ► Cannot be used for applications lodged by mail
- Credit card  ► Give details below

Payment by (tick one box)

Australian Dollars

MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Diners Club <input type="checkbox"/> American Express <input type="checkbox"/> JCB <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="AUD"/>
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Credit card number

Expiry date

MONTH	YEAR
: /	:

Cardholder's name

Telephone number

COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
( )	( )	

Address

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
POSTCODE

As the cardholder I acknowledge and accept that a credit card surcharge may apply to the transaction.

**Signature of cardholder**



Credit card information will be used for fee paying purposes only.

## Part I – Declaration

**WARNING: It is an offence under section 50 of the Australian Citizenship Act 2007 to deliberately make, or cause to make, a false or misleading statement, or conceal circumstances in relation to an application.**

**29** Please read the following carefully before signing.

Complete this declaration if you are the main applicant and are aged 16 years or over.

- I declare that the information I have supplied in this form is complete, truthful and correct in every detail.
- I recognise that by becoming an Australian citizen I will become a formal member of the community of the Commonwealth of Australia.
- I understand that Australian citizenship is a shared identity, a common bond which unites all Australians while respecting their diversity.
- I understand that:
  - Australian society values respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual, freedom of religion, commitment to the rule of law, parliamentary democracy, equality of men and women and a spirit of egalitarianism that embraces mutual respect, tolerance, fair play and compassion for those in need, and the pursuit of the public good
  - Australian society values equality of opportunity for individuals, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background
  - the English language, as the national language, is an important unifying element of Australian society.
- I accept that Australian citizenship involves reciprocal rights and responsibilities. The responsibilities of citizenship include obeying Australian laws, including those relating to voting at elections and serving on a jury.
- In seeking to become an Australian citizen, I undertake to accept these responsibilities and respect the values of Australian society.
- I recognise that a prosperous, successful and peaceful Australia depends upon the support of all Australians, including me, for those things that we value and share.
- I have read the information contained in form 1442i Privacy notice.
- I understand the department may collect, use and disclose my personal information (including biometric information and other sensitive information) as outlined in form 1442i Privacy notice.

**Signature of applicant**



Date

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### Children under 16 years of age

The responsible parent is to complete the following declaration.

- I declare that I am the responsible parent of the applicant.
- I declare that the information I have supplied in this form is complete, truthful and correct in every detail.
- I consent to the registration of Australian citizenship by descent for my child with my full acceptance of the consequences resulting from citizenship status under law.
- I have read the information contained in form 1442i Privacy notice.
- I understand the department may collect, use and disclose my personal information (including biometric information and other sensitive information) as outlined in form 1442i Privacy notice.

### Children aged 16 or 17 years

The responsible parent is to complete the following declaration.

- I declare that I am the responsible parent of the applicant.
- I consent to the applicant's personal information being provided to the National Police Checking Service (NPCS) for the purpose of the NPCS conducting a National Police check in relation to the applicant as part of their application for Australian citizenship.
- I understand that this is for the purposes of assessing whether the Offences provision, as defined in section 24(6) of the Australian Citizenship Act 2007, applies to the applicant.
- I understand that more than one police check may be requested by the department, including a further check that may be undertaken if the applicant is not approved as an Australian citizen and an appeal of the decision is requested.
- I acknowledge that the applicant's personal information will be disclosed to Australian police agencies for them to use for their respective law enforcement purposes including the investigation of any outstanding criminal offences.
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**Signature of responsible parent**



Date 

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Full name of responsible parent

Telephone numbers

	COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
Work	( )	( )	
Home	( )	( )	
Mobile/cell			

We strongly advise that you keep a copy of your application and all attachments for your records.

### Office use only

Name of decision maker

Signature of decision maker

Date 

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Approved  Not approved