Home Office

Form S3

Application for registration as -

- a British citizen, or
- a British Overseas citizen

by or on behalf of a stateless person born in the UK or an overseas territory on or after 1 January 1983

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IMPORTANT: Before completing this form, you should read the accompanying Guide. If there is not enough space for your answers, 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 agent registered with the Office of Immigration Services Commissioner see page 10 of the guide which accompanies this form for details. Or you may wish to use the Nationality Checking Service operated by a number of local authorities. Your Register Office will advise if one is operated in your area.

We recommend that you keep a copy of this application.

NOTE: Some of the information you provide on this form will be stored on a computer which is registered under the Data Protection Act.

Please ensure that you read the guide which accompanies this form. You should ensure that you understand the criteria for registration before submitting your application. Full fees cannot be returned for applicants that fail or withdraw their application.

Please write in BLOCK CAPITALS using black or blue-black ink. Please enter all dates as dd-mm-yyyy, e.g. 29/04/2002

Section 1 - Personal Information

1.1 Please give Home Office reference number of any previous application or correspondence.

1.2 Details of Applicant (i.e. the stateless person). Title - please tick:

Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Miss ☐ Ms ☐ Other

1.3 Surname/Family name

1.4 All other names

1.5 Name at birth if different from above

1.6 Date of birth: D D M M Y Y Y Y

1.7 Place and country of birth:

1.8 If name at birth is different from your present name, please give:

Date of change to present name D D M M Y Y Y Y

1.9 Reason for change (e.g. marriage, civil partnership, deed poll, gender change)

1.10 Present address

Postcode:

1.11 Present address of the person signing the application (if different)

Postcode:

1.12 Telephone numbers of the person signing the application

Daytime telephone number:

Mobile telephone number:

That person's house number (if different)

1.13 Applicant's Email address:

For validation purposes, please re-write your e mail address in the box below:

Please report any change of address or telephone number.

1.14 If married or in a civil partnership, please give:

1.15 Full name of husband/wife/civil partner (before marriage):

1.16 Husband/wife/civil partner date of birth: D D M M Y Y Y Y

1.17 Husband's/wife's/ civil partner's nationality

1.18 Husband's/wife's/ civil partner's place and country of birth

1.19 Please explain the reason why the applicant has been stateless from birth

1.20 Details of Applicant's Mother

1.21 Her full name

1.22 Date of birth: D D M M Y Y Y Y

1.23 Place and country of birth

1.24 Nationality when the applicant was born*

1.25 Present nationality

*(If a British citizen, a British overseas territories citizen, a British Overseas citizen, or a British subject, state how this status was acquired e.g. by birth, adoption, descent, registration or naturalisation. If by naturalisation or registration please give the date and number of the certificate and place of issue.)

1.26 Details of Applicant's Father

1.27 His full name

1.28 Date of birth: D D M M Y Y Y Y

1.29 Place and country of birth

1.30 Nationality when the applicant was born*

1.31 Present nationality

*(If a British citizen, a British overseas territories citizen, a British Overseas citizen, or a British subject, state how this status was acquired e.g. by birth, adoption, descent, registration or naturalisation. If by naturalisation or registration please give the date and number of the certificate and place of issue.)

1.32 Date of parent's marriage D D M M Y Y Y Y

1.33 If someone is representing you, for example an agent, solicitor or you are making the application through a consulate, please tell us their:

1.34 Name

1.35 Address

Postcode:

Telephone number:

If your application is approved, you will need to take part in a citizenship ceremony. The venue will normally be within a local authority area near where you live. If you want to have your ceremony in another area you should give us details of the local authority location below.

1.36 Name

1.37 Address

Postcode:

Section 2 - Residence Requirements

2.1 Date and place of first arrival in the United Kingdom or the British overseas territories.

Date D D M M Y Y Y Y

Place

2.2 Please give details of all absences from the United Kingdom or the British overseas territories during the last three years. Failure to complete this will result in delay to your application. If necessary, please continue on a separate sheet of paper.

Country visited	Reason, for example, holiday, business, visiting relative	Date of departure from the United Kingdom / British overseas territories DDMMYYYY	Date of return to the United Kingdom / British overseas territories DDMMYYYY	Total No. of days absent

More absences shown on separate sheet of paper Yes ☐ No ☐

Total number of days absent (including any shown on a separate sheet of paper) ☐

2.3 Please provide details of the applicant's residence throughout the five year qualifying period (see section 2 of the guide).

Address	Address
From:	From:
To:	To:

Address	Address
From:	From:
To:	To:

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2.4 If absences from the United Kingdom and the British overseas territories exceed the 450 day allowance please explain the special circumstances which it is felt the Home Secretary/Governor should take into account when considering the application. (See page 4 in the guide)

Section 3 - Referees and Identity

Affix passport size photo. See page of the guide

This part is to be filled in by your referees after you have fixed a photograph of yourself aside. Your referees should read page 10 of the 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:

3.1 One referee should be a person of any nationality who has professional standing, for example, doctor, minister of religion, civil servant, or a member of a professional body for example, accountant or solicitor (who is not representing you with this application). The other referee must be the 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 related to either referee;
- they are not employed by the Home Office;
- they have not been convicted of an imprisonable offence (see guide);
- they have known the applicant personally for more than 3 years;
- they are willing to give full details of their knowledge of the applicant;
- they will advise the Home Office of any reason why the applicant should not be registered.

1st Referee declaration

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

The attached photograph above is a true likeness of the applicant. I confirm each of the points in 3.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the personal details of the applicant given on this form are correct.

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

3.3 1st referee full name:

3.4 Sex: Male ☐ Female ☐

3.5 Address:

Postcode:

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

3.6 Daytime telephone number:

3.7 Email address:

3.8 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 1st referee:

Date:

D D M M Y Y Y Y

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 3.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the personal details of the applicant given on this form are correct.

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

3.10 2nd referee full name:

3.11 Sex: Male ☐ Female ☐

3.12 Address:

Postcode:

If you have been at this address for less than 5 years please list previous addresses on a separate piece of paper.

3.13 Daytime telephone number:

3.14 Email address:

3.15 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 2nd referee:

Date:

D D M M Y Y Y Y

Section 4 - Biometric enrolment (British citizenship applications only)

In accordance with British Nationality (General) (Amendment) 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, please see the accompanying guidance notes, which you must read before completing this form.

If you have a current grant of leave on a biometric residence permit (BRP), you must provide your BRP for the application to be valid and complete.

4.1 Have you been issued with a BRP with a previous application for leave?

Yes ☐ go to question 4.2 No ☐ go to question 4.12

Please give details of your BRP. Please note for the application to be valid and complete, your current BRP must be provided, unless it is not available for one of the reasons specified on the application form.

4.2 BRP number

4.3 Issue date D D M M Y Y Y Y

4.4 Expiry date D D M M Y Y Y Y

4.5 Place of issue

4.6 Nationality

4.7 BRP enclosed? Yes ☐ No ☐

If not enclosed then please state the location of biometric residence permit:

Returned to Home Office ☐ go to question 4.8

Lost ☐ go to question 4.9

Stolen ☐ go to question 4.10

Other ☐ go to question 4.11

4.8 If the required BRP has been returned to the Home Office, please give details of the reason it was sent to us

Date it was sent to us D D M M Y Y Y Y

4.9 If the BRP was lost please give the date this was reported to the Home Office card management service D D M M Y Y Y Y

4.10 If the biometric resident permit was stolen, please give the police report number, crime reference number, the police station and the date reported to the police.

Police report number

Crime reference number

Police station

Date reported to the Police: D D M M Y Y Y Y

4.11 If the required BRP is not enclosed please give details why you are unable to provide it:

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

Yes ☐ go to question 4.13 No ☐ go to question 4.16

4.13 Date your fingerprints were taken: D D M M Y Y Y Y

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

4.15 Give details of the British diplomatic post(s) involved if the application(s) was or were made abroad:

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

Yes ☐ please provide us with a letter from a doctor registered with the General Medical Council (GMC) giving details of the condition and/or special needs and explaining any arrangements that may be necessary.

No ☐

Applicants under the age of 16

Please complete questions 4.17, 4.18 and 4.19

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

4.17 Is the applicant

16 years old or more ☐ complete questions 4.1 to 4.16, then go to 4.21

Less than 16 years old ☐ go to question 4.18

4.18 Give details of the person who will be accompanying the applicant when he or she attends their biometric information enrolment appointment.

Name of responsible adult

Date of birth D D M M Y Y Y Y

Nationality

Relationship to child

4.19 is this person the applican’ts parent or legal guarian?

Yes ☐ go to question 4.21 ☐ go to question 4.20

4.20 Please explain why a person other than the applicant's parent or legal guardian will be accompanying the applicant

4.21 Declaration

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

Signature

Date

D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y

Section 5 - Declaration by applicant or person signing the form

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).

5.1 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 I 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 information given by me will be treated in confidence, but may be submitted for checking against records held by other Government departments, the Security Service and other agencies, local authorities and the police, where it is necessary for immigration or nationality purposes, or to enable these bodies to carry out their functions.

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.

5.2 I confirm that I have read and understood the guide S3 - stateless persons registration ☐

5.3 I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate registration fee and payment slip ☐

5.4 I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate documents ☐

5.5 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 on the basis of my conduct the Home Secretary considers it to be conducive to the public good. ☐

5.6 *I declare that, although I do not meet all of the statutory requirements for registration, I believe that, in view of the following special circumstances, the Home Secretary should treat me as fulfilling those requirements or waive the need in my case to fulfil them. ☐

*Delete if not applicable

5.7 Special circumstances - which requirements do you think you fail to meet and what are the special circumstances? (continue on a separate sheet of paper).

5.8 Please 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

D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y