



Home Office

FORM AN

Application for naturalisation as a
British citizen

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IMPORTANT: Before completing this form, you should read the Guide AN as well as the Booklet AN. Fill in those parts of the form that apply to your application. If there is not enough space for your answer, use page 15 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 the Immigration Services Commissioner (see page 5 of the Guide AN 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 AN and the Booklet AN. You should ensure that you understand the criteria for naturalisation before submitting your application. Full fees cannot be returned for applications that fail.

Please write in BLOCK CAPITALS using black or blue ink.

Please enter all dates as dd-mm-yyyy, e.g. 01/09/2013

Please note that each individual applying for naturalisation must complete a separate application form. Therefore husbands, wives and civil partners wishing to naturalise, must complete separate forms. For a "joint" application attracting a single fee the applications for a married or civil partnership couple must be submitted together. Family applications should include separate forms for each child, either an AN Form where the child is now an adult (aged 18 or over) or an MN1 Form for a minor (under the age of 18). WE DO NOT NEED APPLICATIONS FOR ADULTS OR MINORS WHO ARE ALREADY BRITISH.

If you are acting as responsible adult for someone who is not of sound mind and unable to make and understand their own application (see page 10 of the Booklet AN), you must take full responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided and sign the declaration on behalf of the applicant. This includes liability in law.

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

1.18 Name

1.19 Address

Postcode

1.20 Telephone Number

If you have completed 1.18 and the address is that of your immigration advisor, please state their Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner (OISC) number:

1.21 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.

Name

Address

Postcode

Knowledge of language / life in the UK

1.22 How do you intend to satisfy the requirement to have sufficient knowledge of language and life in the UK? See page 11–17 in the accompanying Booklet AN

✓ I have passed the Life in the UK test and attach confirmation. ☐

The test number is:

AND EITHER

✓ I have a speaking and listening qualification in English at B1 CEFR or higher, or an equivalent level qualification; **OR** ☐

✓ I have obtained an academic qualification deemed by UK NARIC to meet the recognised standard of a Bachelor's or Master's degree or PhD in the United Kingdom and: ☐

(i) UK NARIC has confirmed that the qualification was taught or researched in English; or ☐

(ii) the qualification was taught or researched in the UK or a majority English speaking country (other than Canada); **OR** ☐

✓ I am a national of a majority English speaking country; **OR** ☐

✓ I met the knowledge of language and life requirement to qualify for settlement on or after 28th October 2013; **OR** ☐

✓ I wish to claim exemption on the basis of my physical or mental condition (physical and/or mental illness may not lead automatically to exemption. You should provide reasons on page 15. Your application may fail and the fee retained if insufficient reasons for exemption are provided). ☐

Further guidance about the knowledge of language and life in the UK requirement can be found in the Guide and Booklet AN that accompanies this form. Additional information can also be found on our website.

Details of your parents

1.23 Your father's name

1.24 Your father's town and country of birth

1.25 Your father's nationality

1.26 Your father's date of birth

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1.27 Your mother's full name & maiden name

1.28 Your mother's town and country of birth

1.29 Your mother's nationality

1.30 Your mother's date of birth

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Details of your partner.

Please provide here the details of your husband, wife or civil partner. (A partner who is not a British citizen and wishes to apply must submit a separate application.)

1.31 Full name of partner

If your partner is or has ever been known by any name or names apart from those mentioned above, please give details here

1.32 Partner's date of birth

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1.33 Partner's village, town or city and country of birth

1.34 Partner's nationality

If your partner is a naturalised British citizen enter date they were granted this citizenship

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Their citizenship certificate reference number

1.35 Partner's present address.

1.36 Date and place of marriage/civil partnership (if applicable)

If you were previously married or in a civil partnership, please give:

1.37 Full name of previous husband or wife or civil partner (before marriage/civil partnership). Provide details on page 15 if more than one previous marriage.

1.38 Previous husband's/wife's/civil partner's date of birth

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1.39 Previous husband's/wife's/civil partner's
village/town/city and country of birth

1.40 Previous husband's/wife's/civil partner's nationality

1.41 Date and place of your previous marriage/civil partnership

1.42 Date, place and reason for the ending of your previous marriage/civil partnership

1.43 Dates of any marriage(s) over the last 5 years (continue on page 15 if needed)

Section 2: Residence requirements

2.1 Date and place of first arrival in the United Kingdom (see page 7 of the Guide).

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2.2 Please give details of all absences from the United Kingdom during the last five years. If you are married or in a civil partnership to a British citizen, give details for the last three years only (see page 7 of the Guide).

Failure to complete this will result in delay to your application.

If necessary, please continue on page 15 of this application form.

Country Visited	Reason eg. Holiday, business, visiting relatives	Date of departure from United Kingdom						Date of return to the United Kingdom						Total number of days absent
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More absences shown on Page 15 Yes ☐ No ☐

Total Number Of Days absent (including any shown on page 15)

2.3 Please tell us in which country you intend to have your main home if you are naturalised.

If this country is outside the United Kingdom and i) you are not married to or the civil partner of a British citizen and ii) you intend to enter into or continue Crown service, service in an international organisation or employment with a company or association established in the United Kingdom, please include a letter of explanation.

EEA nationals exercising EC Treaty Rights

2.4 If you are an EEA national or the family member of an EEA national, please complete the following section, showing on what basis you were in the United Kingdom for the last 6 years. This is so we can see whether you were exercising your Treaty Rights for a continuous period and have acquired permanent residence in the United Kingdom.

If you are not an EEA national (see page 9–10 of the 'Booklet AN'), go to section 3.

Are you an EEA national? ☐

Or a family member of an EEA national? ☐

Please state on what basis you were in the United Kingdom for the last six years. Continue on a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Date from	Date to	Basis of stay e.g. worker, student, self-employed, self-sufficient, retired, incapacity	Please provide details of employment, self-employment, school or college

2.5 If you exercised Treaty rights in employment, self-employment or study, please give details below, starting with the most recent if more than one employer and/or place of study. If necessary, please continue on page 15 of this application form.

Name and address of employer or place of study	From	To	Type of business if self-employed	Job title if employed

2.6 If you are an A8 national (see page 10 of the Booklet AN) and you are exercising your Treaty rights in the UK as a worker, please give date of registration under the Worker Registration Scheme

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Section 3: Good Character Requirement

In this section you need to give information which will help the Home Secretary to decide whether he can be satisfied that you are of good character. Checks will be made with the police and possibly other Government Departments, the Security Service and other agencies.

3.1 What is your occupation?

3.2 ✓ Are you

An employee? ☐ A business partner? ☐ Self-employed? ☐ A director? ☐

3.3 Name of employer or business

3.4 Address of employer or business

3.5 Address of tax office or tax office reference

Personal History (criminal convictions, war crimes, etc.)

This section asks about any criminal convictions, any civil judgements or civil penalties made against you and details of any involvement you may have had in war crimes, genocide, crimes against humanity or terrorism. If you fail to answer all of these questions as fully and accurately as possible, your application may be refused.

It is an offence under Section 46(1) of the British Nationality Act 1981 to make a statement or representation which is known to be false or is not believed to be true. Information given will be checked with other agencies.

3.6 Have you been convicted of any criminal offence in the UK or any other country?

Yes ☐ - go to question 3.7 No ☐ - go to question 3.8

3.7 Please give details below for each criminal conviction, starting with the most recent one. If you have received more than two convictions, please photocopy this page and enclose it with this form.

Note: We will carry out criminal record checks on all applicants. You must give details of all criminal convictions. This includes road traffic offences (including all drink-driving offences).

Fixed Penalty Notices (such as speeding or parking tickets) do not form part of a person's criminal record and will not be considered in the caseworker's assessment of character unless:

- the person has failed to pay and there were criminal proceedings as a result; or
- the person has received numerous fixed penalty notices.

Criminal conviction 1

Country where convicted

[illegible]

Nature of offence

Sentence given

Date sentenced

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

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Country where convicted

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Immigration Acts? ☐ Yes - go to 3.9

☐ No - go to 3.10

Details of judgement or civil penalty 1

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Country where judgement made

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Country where judgement made

3.10 Have you received any cautions (simple or conditional), warnings or reprimands in the UK or any other country?

☐ Yes - go to 3.11

☐ No - go to 3.12

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

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Country where caution, warning or reprimand received

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Country where caution, warning or reprimand received

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3.12 Are your details recorded by the police in respect of certain sexual offences (i.e. on the "sex offenders register"), or are you subject to a notification order, a sexual offences prevention order, a foreign travel order, or a risk of sexual harm order (or equivalent order made in a British overseas territory or any other country)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3.13 Have you ever been charged in any country with a criminal offence for which you have not yet been tried in court?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3.14 In times of peace or war have you ever been involved in, or suspected of involvement in, war crimes, crimes against humanity or genocide?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3.15 Have you ever been involved in, supported or encouraged terrorist activities in any country?

☐ Yes ☐ No

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

3.17 Have you ever, by any means or medium, expressed views that justify or glorify terrorist violence or that may encourage others to terrorist acts or other serious criminal acts?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3.18 Have you ever engaged in any other activities which might indicate that you may not be considered a person of good character?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3.19. If you have answered yes to question 3.12, 3.13, 3.14, 3.15, 3.16, 3.17 or 3.18 you must give further details in the space provided below. If you need more space, continue on a separate sheet and enclose it with this form.

For the purposes of answering questions 3.12 – 3.18 please refer to the Booklet AN which provides guidance on actions which may constitute war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide or terrorist activities.

Section 4: Crown Service

4.1 Please complete this section if your application is based on your Crown service, or your husband's, wife's or civil partner's Crown service, or specially designated service.

If not, please go to section 5.

Please note that serving members of the Armed Forces will not automatically qualify under the Crown service provision. (see Booklet AN page 19).

Please ✓

Your Crown service? ☐ Were you recruited In the United Kingdom? Yes ☐ No ☐

Your husband's/wife's/civil partner's Crown service or specially designated service? ☐ Were they recruited in the United Kingdom? Yes ☐ No ☐

Description of relevant service	Branch/regiment etc. where serving	Length of Crown or other service (dates)	Staff/service or personal ID Number

Section 5: Referees and Identity

Please write your name and date of birth on the back of a photograph of yourself. This should then be glued or pasted into the space aside.

This part of the form is to be filled in by your referees once your photograph has been affixed aside as explained above. Your referees should read page 11 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

Affix
passport
size photo
See page 11
of the guide

Name of applicant

5.1 One referee should be a person of any nationality who has professional standing, eg minister of religion, civil servant, or a member of a professional body e.g. accountant or solicitor (who is not representing you with this application). The other referee must normally 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, or related to the other referee;
- they are not employed by the Home Office;
- they have not been convicted of an imprisonable offence (unless that conviction can be disregarded in line with the table shown on page 16 of the Booklet AN);
- 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 naturalised.

1st Referee declaration

I declare that I am qualified to act as referee.
The photograph above is a true likeness of the applicant.
I confirm each of the points in 5.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the details given on page 3 of this form are correct.

5.2 Say how you know the applicant, and state your age and profession.

5.3 Date of Birth

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5.4 1st Referee full name

5.5 Sex Male ☐ Female ☐

5.6 Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on page 15.

5.7 Daytime telephone number

5.8 e-mail address

5.9 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 £5,000 or both if I knowingly or recklessly make a false declaration.

Signature of referee

Date

2nd Referee declaration

I declare that I am qualified to act as referee.
The photograph above is a true likeness of the applicant.
I confirm each of the points in 5.1 above. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the details given on page 3 of this form are correct.

5.2 Say how you know the applicant, and state your age and profession.

5.3 Date of Birth

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5.4 2nd Referee full name

5.5 Sex Male ☐ Female ☐

5.6 Address

If you have been at this address for less than 3 years please list previous addresses on page 15.

5.7 Daytime telephone number

5.8 e-mail address

5.9 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 £5,000 or both if I knowingly or recklessly make a false declaration.

Signature of referee

Date

FURTHER INFORMATION NOT COVERED IN OTHER SECTIONS

Section 6: Declaration by applicant

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 £5,000 or both.
(Section 46(1) of the British Nationality Act 1981, as amended).

6.1 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 granted British citizenship. 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 Border Agency 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.

I authorise the UK Border Agency to make enquiries of

- the Insolvency Service (England and Wales)
- the Accountant in Bankruptcy (Scotland)
- the Official Receiver (Northern Ireland)
- other appointed Receiver concerning my declaration of bankruptcy

I agree that the relevant body may disclose personal information obtained as part of their statutory function ☐

6.2 ✓ I confirm that I have read and understood the Guide AN and the Booklet AN ➤ ☐

6.3 ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate naturalisation fee and payment slip ➤ ☐

6.4* ✓ I confirm that I have enclosed the appropriate documents ➤ ☐

6.5 ✓ Where I have provided a photocopy of my spouse's or civil partner's passport, I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is a complete and full copy of that original document. ➤ ☐

6.6 ✓ 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. ➤ ☐

6.7 ✓ *I declare that, although I do not meet all of the statutory requirements for naturalisation, 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

6.8 Special circumstances - which requirements do you think you fail to meet and what are the special circumstances? (continue on page 15 if necessary)

6.9 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 AN and Booklet AN, particularly those sections on how to qualify and the residence requirements.

Signature

Date

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS.

Your application cannot be considered without certain evidence. You should provide documents to cover each of the sections shown below that are relevant to your application, and tick to indicate the type of evidence you have enclosed. If you are concerned about submitting your original documents then you may wish to consider using the Nationality Checking Service described on page 3 of the Guide. We reserve the right to call for documents to satisfy ourselves as to their authenticity. Providing forged or fraudulent documents may result in prosecution leading to fines, imprisonment and deportation.

SECTION 1 Evidence of identity: required for all applications

- *Your passport OR
- *National identity card OR
- *Home Office travel document OR
- *Home Office entitlement card OR
- *Home Office ARC letter OR
- Your birth certificate OR
- *Your driving licence

*if you used one of these documents when you took the Knowledge of Life in the UK test you will be expected to use it again by enclosing it with your naturalisation application.

If the name you are currently using is different from the name on your passport or travel document you should send evidence of the change of name

SECTION 2 Evidence of knowledge of Language and of Life in the UK: required for all applicants:

- Letter confirming success in the Life in the UK Test, stamped and signed by the Test Supervisor; **and either**
- Certificate showing that you have a speaking and listening qualification in English at B1 CEFR or higher, or an equivalent level qualification; **or**
- Certificate showing that you have obtained an academic qualification deemed by UK NARIC to meet the recognised standard of a Bachelor's or Master's degree or PhD in the United Kingdom and (i) UK NARIC has confirmed that the qualification was taught or researched in English or (ii) the qualification was taught or researched in the UK or a majority English speaking country (other than Canada); **or**
- If you are awaiting graduation or no longer have your certificate and cannot get a new one you must send either:
 - o an original academic reference from the institution awarding the academic qualification that is on official letter headed paper and shows your name and the title of the award. The letter should also explain when the academic qualification was, or will be awarded; and state either the date that the certificate will be issued (if you have not yet graduated) or confirms that the institution is unable to re-issue the original certificate of award; **or**
 - o an original academic transcript that is on official letter headed paper and shows your name, the name of the academic institution, the course title and provides confirmation of the award; **or**
- Your passport showing that you are a national of a majority English speaking country; **or**
- A letter from a medical practitioner to show that you should be exempt on the grounds of poor physical and/or mental health; **or**
- (For applicants outside the United Kingdom) evidence as directed by the office of the Lieutenant-Governor, the office of the Governor, the British Embassy, the British High Commission or the British Consulate.

Further guidance can be found in the Guide and Booklet AN as well as in the Nationality caseworking instructions available on our website.

SECTION 3 Evidence of lawful residence during the 5 (or, if the applicant is married or in civil partnership to a British citizen, 3) years before the date of the application: required for applications made on the basis of residence in the United Kingdom: required for all applicants

- Your passports OR
 - Letters from employers, educational establishments or other Government Departments indicating presence in UK
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SECTION 4 Evidence of settlement for applicants from Switzerland or the European Economic Area or their non-EEA direct family members see page 9 – 10 of the Booklet AN

- Your valid passport or valid EEA national identity card as evidence of your nationality; **AND**
 - A document certifying permanent residence or a permanent residence card issued by UKBA
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Further information on how to apply for a document certifying permanent residence or a permanent residence card free of charge from UKBA can be found on the UKBA website.

Please Note: Whilst the submission of a document certifying permanent residence or a permanent residence card is not mandatory, failure to submit one may lead to delays in reaching a decision on your application. If you do not provide a document certifying permanent residence or a permanent residence card then you must provide the following for consideration:

- Evidence of exercising Treaty Rights for 5 years for the relevant EEA national. This may include:
 - o Confirmation of tax payment for individuals who are self-employed / business person
 - o Confirmation of payslips/P60 for workers
 - o Confirmation of enrolment and attendance of an accredited course for Students
 - o Evidence of funds and comprehensive sickness insurance for self sufficient persons and students
 - o Evidence of state pension (not occupational pension) for retired person.
 - o Medical report if permanently incapacitated
 - Evidence of five years continuous residence in the UK
 - If applying as the direct family member of an EEA national, evidence of relationship to that EEA national.
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SECTION 5 Evidence of freedom from immigration time restrictions: required for all applicants except those covered by SECTION 4 above

- Your passport showing permission to remain permanently in the UK OR
- The Home Office letter by which you were given permission to remain permanently in the UK
- If you came to the UK as an asylum seeker you should have evidence of appeal applications OR
- Evidence of being freely landed

SECTION 6 Evidence of marriage for applications made on the basis of marriage or civil partnership to a British citizen.

- Your spouse's or civil partner's current passport or naturalisation/registration certificate showing that he/she is a British citizen. If you are making your application by post you can send a complete and full copy of your spouse's or civil partner's current passport. Every page of the passport must be copied including any blank pages AND
 - The marriage certificate or civil partnership certificate
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SECTION 7 Evidence of tax for self-employed applicants only

The most recent HM Revenue & Customs Self Assessment Statement of Account

SECTION 8 Evidence of Crown service for applications made on the basis of marriage to or civil partnership with a British citizen in Crown or designated service

- A letter from the relevant employer confirming date and place of recruitment, position held, and the extent to which it would be in the employer's interests for the application to be granted
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SECTION 9 Joint applications

- Marriage or civil partnership certificate