

THE BAHAMAS NATIONALITY ACT, 1973

THE BAHAMAS NATIONALITY REGULATIONS, 1973

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF NATURALISATION  
UNDER SECTION 9 OF THE BAHAMAS NATIONALITY ACT 1973

**WARNING:** The giving of false information on this form or in support of this application can lead to a fine or to imprisonment.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT THESE DOCUMENTS.  
THE APPLICATION FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN DUPLICATE.**

- 1. Birth certificate ) Certified English translation
- 2. Marriage certificate ) and originals, if documents
- 3. Spouse's birth certificate ) are in a foreign language
- 4. Police character certificate [issued less than six (6) months]
- 5. Work Permit/ Annual Permit to Reside/or Certificate of Permanent Residence
- 6. 2 passport-size photographs with name endorsed thereon
- 7. Death Certificate/Divorce Decree (if applicable)
- 8. Newspaper clippings from the Guardian and Tribune advertising the fact that you are applying for citizenship
- 9. \$4.00 Bahamian postage stamp
- 10. \$100.00 (processing fee) cash, money order, or certified cheque payable to the Public Treasury.
- 11. APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE NOTARIZED BY A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE OR NOTARY PUBLIC.

I. Original name in full in country of birth  
(IN BLOCK LETTERS)

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If name at birth has been altered, give particulars and date of alteration

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Particulars of any other name(s) used for private purposes

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Private address

(STREET)

(P. O. BOX)

(TELEPHONE)

Occupation

Business address and/or name

and address of employers (if

a Director, names and addresses

of companies concerned) .....

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Country .....

Place .....

Date of Birth .....

(b) Nationality at birth .....

(c) Present nationality if different .....

(d) State how change in nationality was made .....

(e) If stateless, say how nationality was lost .....

(f) Particulars of any other national status .....

3. Father's full name in country of his birth (IN BLOCK LETTERS) .....

Present address (if living): Nationality (if dead, at time of death) .....

Mother's full name before marriage in country of her birth (IN BLOCK LETTERS) .....

Present address (if living): Nationality (if dead, at time of death) .....

4. State if single married, widower, widow or divorced .....

If married, state: Date and place of marriage Date..... Place.....

Wife's full name before marriage (IN BLOCK LETTERS) Name.....

Address.....

OR

If husband or wife is dead,  
give date and place of  
death

Date.....Place.....

If marriage dissolved, give  
date and place of decree

Date.....Place.....

5.

**Statement Regarding Residence**

- (a) I have lived in The Bahamas or been in The Bahamas Government Service throughout the period of twelve months immediately preceding this application.
- (b) During the nine years immediately preceding this period of twelve months I have resided in The Bahamas or been in Government Service for periods amounting in the aggregate to not less than six years.

Details of Residence or Government Service	Full Postal Address in Bahamas	From (Date)	To (Date)	Years	Months

**Total residence in The Bahamas and/or  
Government Service**

.....years

During the period of residence or service shown above, I have visited the following foreign countries

Name of Country	From (Date)	To (Date)

If this application is granted, I intend to live in The Bahamas permanently.

6. Statement Regarding Character, etc.

I am of good character and am financially solvent.

7. Details of all proceedings of any kind taken against you in any Civil or Criminal Court.

Nature of Proceedings	Date	Place	Result
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8. Date of any composition made with creditors.....

Date of bankruptcy.....

Date of discharge from bankruptcy.....

9. Approximate date of any previous application for naturalisation.....

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10. Particulars of Children

(a) Full names of children under 21 years of age	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Where now Resident
(b) Full names of other children	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Where now Resident

I, the undersigned, to whom the foregoing particulars relate, hereby apply to the Minister for the grant of a Certificate of Naturalisation.

I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing particulars stated in the application are true, and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

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If, at any time before a certificate is issued to me, the accuracy of any of the foregoing particulars is affected by an alteration in circumstances, I undertake to inform the Minister in writing forthwith.

(Signature of Applicant).....

Made and subscribed this ..... day of.....

20.....before me.....at.....

(Signed).....

(Justice of the peace or other official title).....

Address .....

**REFERENCES**

1.

**Name (IN BLOCK LETTERS)**

**Mr.**

**Mrs.**

**Miss**.....

**Full postal address**.....

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I am a citizen of The Bahamas by birth, that I am a householder and that I am not the Counsel or Attorney or agent or a relative of.....

I support this application from my personal knowledge of and close acquaintance with the applicant for ..... years

I vouch for his/her good character and loyalty and am prepared to furnish full details about my knowledge of and acquaintance with the applicant. I have read the caution at the top of page one.

Date.....Signature.....

2.

Name (IN BLOCK LETTERS) Mr. Mrs. Miss.....

Full postal address.....

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I am a citizen of The Bahamas by birth, that I am a householder and that I am not the Counsel or Attorney or agent or a relative of.....

I support this application from my personal knowledge of and close acquaintance with the applicant for.....years.

I vouch for his/her good character and loyalty and am prepared to furnish full details about my knowledge of and acquaintance with the applicant. I have read the caution at the top of page one.

Date.....Signature.....

3.

Name (IN BLOCK LETTERS) Mr. Mrs. Miss.....

Full postal address.....

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Date .....Signature.....

**PARTICULARS RELATING TO APPLICANT**

Full name.....

Address..... (STREET) (P. O. BOX) (TELEPHONE)

Profession or occupation .....  
Place and date of birth .....  
Nationality .....  
Single, Married, etc. ....  
Name of wife or husband .....  
Names and Nationalities of parents .....  
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(If the application is approved, the applicant will be required to take the Oath of Allegiance in the Form set out hereunder and to renounce his citizenship of any other country before a certificate of naturalization is granted.)

**OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

I, .....

do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second, Her Heirs and Successors according to law, So help me God.

Sworn and subscribed this .....day of ..... 20.....

before me .....

(Official Title) .....

Address .....