APPLICATION NUMBER

One parent only on child's birth certificate

Complete this form on screen and print it, or print the form and fill it in by hand.

If filling the form in by hand, **Use BLACK PEN** and print within the boxes in BLOCK LETTERS

Use **CROSSES** in boxes marked with an 'X' ☒

Do not complete this form if you are presenting an Australian court order that deals with parental responsibility for the child or permits the child to have an Australian passport, travel internationally or to live or spend time with a person outside of Australia (if this form is required you will be contacted by the Australian Passport Office).

This form must be completed and submitted to support an application for a child where the child's full birth certificate names only one parent (a child is a person under 18 years who has never married).

The purpose of this form is to determine whether there may be any other person who is considered to have parental responsibility for the child. Parental responsibility for the purpose of obtaining a travel document for a child is defined in subsection 11(5) of the *Australian Passports Act 2005* (the Act). A separate B8 form is to be completed for each person who may have parental responsibility for the child.

A child's passport application should include the written consent of each person who has parental responsibility for the child. It is your responsibility to obtain the consent of each person with parental responsibility for the child. Where consent cannot be obtained, the application can be assessed under the special circumstances set out in subsection 11(2) of the Act and section 10 of the Australian Passports Determination 2015.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Child passport applications which claim special circumstances, generally take six to eight weeks to process (maybe even longer). You can only request priority processing once we have told you that a passport will be issued and you show us that there's a compassionate or compelling reason to issue urgently.
- There's no guarantee that the application will be successful. If we decide not to issue a passport to your child, we generally don't refund the application fee. Do not confirm travel plans until you know our decision.
- Taking a child overseas without the consent of all people with parental responsibility for the child may be an offence under the *Family Law Act 1975* (with penalties up to 3 years in prison) or may lead to legal action under the Hague Convention on International Child Abduction. For further information see the Attorney-General's Department website at www.ag.gov.au/childabduction.

If there is insufficient space on this form to provide all information please complete a Form B11 General Declaration. For forms and further information on the child application process see www.passports.gov.au

You must answer all required questions in full.

1. Details of parent named on the child's birth certificate

Family name	
Given names	
Previous names (*if applicable*)	
Street or Post Office box address	

Suburb/Locality	

State/Territory		Postcode		Country	

If person lodging this form is the parent named on the child's birth certificate – **Go to Section 3**

If person lodging this form is different from the person named on child's birth certificate – **Go to Section 2**

2. Details of person lodging this form (if different from person named on child's birth certificate)

Family name	
Given names	
Relationship to the child	

Can evidence of this relationship be presented?   ☐ No   ☐ Yes   **Note**: Where evidence of the relationship is available this must be lodged with the child's passport application.

3. Child details

Family name of child	
Given names of child	
Previous names (if applicable)	
Child's date of birth	D D / M M / Y Y Y Y
Street or Post Office box address	

Suburb/Locality

State/Territory   Postcode   Country

Who does the child live with?	

Child's proposed travel

Departure date	D D / M M / Y Y Y Y	Return date	D D / M M / Y Y Y Y

Who is the child travelling with?	
Destination	

Reason for travel

Have you provided the most recently issued birth certificate for the child?

[X] No – If No, you will need to provide the child's most recent birth certificate with the child's passport application

[X] Yes

Was the child adopted and/or born through a surrogacy arrangement?

[X] No – If No, **Go to Section 4**

[X] Yes – If Yes, select the relevant answers below

[X] **Adoption** – **Complete Section 12** and submit this form

Surrogacy

[X] **Child born in Australia through surrogacy arrangement** – **Complete Section 12** and submit this form with all court orders and a completed form *B7-No further court orders*

[X] **Child born overseas through surrogacy arrangement** – **Complete Section 12** and submit this form with all court orders and a completed form *B4-Child born through surrogacy*

4. Parentage

All questions in this section must be answered
(if you are not the parent named on the birth certificate, complete to the best of your knowledge)

1. Was the parent named on the birth certificate married at the time of the child's birth or in the 11 months prior to the birth of the child?

[ ] No   [ ] Yes – If Yes, provide full name of the spouse [_____]

Is this spouse the child's biological parent?   [ ] No   [ ] Yes

2. Has any other person made a formal acknowledgement of parentage for the child?

[ ] No   [ ] Yes

3. Are there any court orders, proceedings or other agreements in existence or pending which could affect another person's rights in relation to the child?

[ ] No   [ ] Yes – If Yes, you must submit all court orders and complete a *Form B7-No further court orders*. This includes orders or agreements that cover custody, guardianship, residency or parental responsibility for the child including orders made in favour of yourself or another person (e.g. a guardian) or an institution (e.g. government welfare service, adoption agency).

Note: If there are legal proceedings underway that may affect:
- parental responsibility for the child
- the child's right to hold an Australian travel document, or
- the child's right to travel internationally

there are limits to the special circumstances that can be considered. You may wish to seek the court's direction on the issue of a travel document before lodging the child's application.

4. Have you ever received or made any child support payments in respect to this child under the *Child Support (Assessment) Act 1989*, or under a private maintenance or other agreement?

[ ] No   [ ] Yes – If Yes, provide details

[_____]

If No to **ALL** questions in Section 4 – **Complete Section 12** and submit the form.

If Yes to **ANY** question in Section 4 – **Continue to Section 5** as the person referred to in your answer may have parental responsibility for the child.

5. Details of other person who may have parental responsibility
Complete a separate B8 form for each person who may have parental responsibility

Full name [_____]

Previous names *(if applicable)* [_____]

Current address [_____]

Suburb/Locality [_____]

State/Territory [_____]   Postcode [_____]

Relationship to the child [_____]

Date of birth [D D] / [M M] / [Y Y Y Y]   OR approximate age now [_____]

Resident status   [ ] Australian citizen   [ ] Permanent resident

[ ] Temporary resident   [ ] Non-resident (foreign national)

6. Consent of other person who may have parental responsibility

Has the person named in Section 5 consented to the issue of the child's passport?

[X] No – If No, **Continue to Section 7**

[X] No, person is deceased – date of death [DD]/[MM]/[YYYY]

– attach evidence of death with this application
– **Complete Section 12** and submit this form

[X] Yes – If Yes, **Complete Section 12** of this form and have the person named in Section 5 complete the consent page in the child's passport application (sections 12, 14 and 15 of the passport application form)

7. Additional details of other person who may have parental responsibility
Only complete this section if the other person has NOT consented to the issue of the child's passport

Has this person ever visited Australia?   [X] No   [X] Yes – If Yes, give approximate dates

[DD]/[MM]/[YYYY] to [DD]/[MM]/[YYYY]

What are the last contact details you have for this person?
Include postal or email addresses, phone numbers, friends, relatives or employer's addresses.

Have you tried to contact this person in relation to the child's passport application?

[X] No – If No, give reasons   [X] Yes – If Yes, what was the result?

8. Contact between child and other person who may have parental responsibility

Describe the nature of the relationship between the child and the person named in Section 5.
For example, give details of the nature and frequency of contact visits, phone calls, emails, mail, text messages.

When was the last contact of any type between the child and this person? [DD]/[MM]/[YYYY]

What was its purpose?

9. Court orders presented as evidence in support of claims
(for example, foreign court orders or family violence orders – include details of most recently issued order)

Name of the court	
Country of issue	
Registration number	
Date of court order	D D / M M / Y Y Y Y
Is this the most recent order?	☒ No ☒ Yes
Are there any legal proceedings pending in this matter?	☒ No ☒ Yes – If Yes, you may wish to wait for the outcome of those proceedings before applying

10. Claim of special circumstances

The special circumstances under which this application may be approved are defined in subsection 11(2) of the *Australian Passports Act 2005* and section 10 of the Australian Passports Determinations 2015.

Provide any further information and present any relevant evidence available to your support claims. If there is insufficient space for your claims, additional statements can be provided on a *Form B11 General Declaration.*

11. Disclosure of information

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade may disclose the information that has been provided in or with this application to any organisation or individual that can verify the information to establish the child's eligibility for an Australian travel document. This may include contacting the person named in Section 5 whose consent has not been provided.

Your contact details will **NOT** be disclosed to that person.

Do you object to the department contacting the person named in Section 5?

☒ No I do not object   ☒ Yes I object – If Yes, why do you object?

12. Declaration

Declaration by the person completing this statement

I declare that:

- I am aware that processing applications without full consent will generally take six to eight weeks or longer and there is no guarantee they will be approved
- I am aware that if the application is refused and a passport is not issued, the application fee is generally not refunded
- I am aware that it is a criminal offence under the *Australian Passports Act 2005* to make false or misleading statements (there are penalties of up to 10 years imprisonment or a fine of 1000 penalty units, or both)
- the information I have given in this statement is complete and correct.

Signature

Date signed D D / M M / Y Y Y Y