Application for an Australian Travel Document

Form B-8

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'XX

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 <u>special circumstances</u>, 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 <u>Form B11 General Declaration</u>. 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 t	he child's	birth certific	cate – <i>Go to</i> S	Section 3	
If person lodging this form is diffe	erent from the pers	on named	l on child's l	birth certificate	e – Go to S	Section 2

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

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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	DD/MM/YYYY		
Street or Post Office box address			
	Suburb/Locality		
	State/Territory Postcode Country		
Who does the child live with?			
Child's proposed travel			
Departure date	DD/MM/YYYYY Return date DD/MM/YYYYY		
Who is the child travelling with?			
Destination			
Reason for travel			
	ently issued birth certificate for the child? ovide the child's most recent birth certificate with the child's passport application		
Was the child adopted and/or bo	rn through a surrogacy arrangement?		
No – If No, Go to Section 4			
Yes – If Yes, select the relevant answers below			
Adoption – Complete Section 12 and submit this form			
Surrogacy			
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			
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

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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)
 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?
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 <i>Child Support (Assessment) Act 1989</i> , or under a private maintenance or other agreement?
No Yes – If Yes, provide details
If No to ALL questions in Section 4 – <i>Complete Section 12</i> and submit the form. If Yes to ANY question in Section 4 – <i>Continue to Section 5</i> as the person referred to in your answer may have parental responsibility for the child.
responsibility for the office.
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 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? No – If No, Continue to Section 7 No, person is deceased – date of death DD / MM / YYYYY – attach evidence of death with this application – Complete Section 12 and submit this form
Yes – If Yes, <i>Complete Section 12</i> 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 No Yes – If Yes, give approximate dates Australia? to//
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? 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	DD/MM/YYYY
Is this the most recent order?	No
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 circur	nstances

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, where I was a support of the I was a support of t	ny do you object?			
12. Declaration				
Declaration by the person completing this statement	ent			
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				
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• I am aware that it is a criminal offence under the Aus.	tralian Passports Act 2005 to make false or misleading statements or a fine of 1000 penalty units, or both)			
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