

APPLICANT INFORMATION FOR CITIZENS OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO BY ADOPTION

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

A. Adoption Certificate

- You must produce your Adoption Certificate as issued by Trinidad and Tobago authorities
- B. Birth Certificate, Passport and Marriage Certificate of Adoptive Parents
 - You must produce the birth certificates and any accompanying affidavit (if applicable), the last Trinidad and Tobago passports and the Marriage Certificate of your adoptive parents. Any relevant document that is not written in English **must** be accompanied by an official translation.

C. For Residents of Canada:

Permanent Resident Card / Landing Document (Two colored copies required)

D. For Citizens of Canada:

Canadian Citizenship Certificate (paper document AND photo card) – this document provides the Immigration Officer with evidence of the full date (day, month and year) of acquisition of Canadian Citizenship. If you do not have these documents, then you must apply to the Canadian Immigration authorities to obtain one. See here for further information on how to apply:

http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/applications/certif.asp

- Your most recent Canadian passport
- E. For Citizens of other countries:
 - Evidence of the full date (day, month and year) of acquisition of Citizenship. An official
 Citizenship certificate or document from the respective country.
 - Your most recent passport from the respective country of citizenship.
- F. Marriage Certificates / Divorce Certificates and Spouse Death Certificates (Relevant ONLY to WOMEN applicants)
 - ALL previous and current marriage certificates must be provided. These must bear the Registrar General's seal. Please note that marriage licenses / church issued certificates are NOT accepted. For Canadian Marriage Certificates, only the detailed long certificate is accepted.
 - You must provide **ALL previous** Divorce Certificates (Decrees Absolute) from the court.
 - For female applicants who are widowed, they must provide the death certificate of their spouse.

N.B. It is important to note that any documents issued to you in a country other than Trinidad and Tobago, <u>MUST have the same BIO DATA information</u> as the documents issued to you in Trinidad and Tobago.