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RESTORATION OF CITIZENSHIP

Purpose

The following outlines the procedure for former citizens of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago by birth or by descent who (prior to July 29th, 1988) lost Trinidad & Tobago citizenship by acquiring citizenship of another country. Upon approval, citizenship will be restored retroactively to the date of loss.

Who can apply for restoration of citizenship?

All former citizens of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago by **birth** or by **descent** who **prior to July 29th 1988** lost citizenship of Trinidad and Tobago by acquiring citizenship of another country and who would like to have their Trinidad and Tobago citizenship restored.

Note 1. A person who acquired Canadian or other citizenship after July 29th, 1988 does not have to apply for Restoration

Note 2. A person who acquired Canadian or other citizenship through an involuntary act, under the age of 18 does not have to apply for Restoration

Where can I get an application form?

Application forms are available online at <u>http://foreign.gov.tt/cgtoronto</u> An application form can also be obtained by visiting one of the offices below or by sending a pre-paid self addressed return envelope to:

High Commission for the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

200 First Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario. K1S 2G6

Consulate General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

185 Sheppard Avenue West, Toronto, Ontario, M2N 1M9

Fees

- A non-refundable processing fee of CDN\$8.00
- A fee of **CDN\$15.00** for notarisations being done at the Consulate
- A Certificate Fee of **CDN\$108.00** payable upon approval of the application (**Effective 1**st **July**, **2019**)

Please note that all fees must be made payable via money order or certified cheque to the "Consulate General of Trinidad & Tobago".

Restoration of Citizenship Application Instructions:-

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The applicant must provide:

- 1) Three (3) original completed application forms (Form 16). These forms must be signed in the presence of a Notary Public or Commissioner of Affidavits or Commissioner of Oaths or Justice of the Peace who would then affix his/her signature and seal in the space provided on the application form.
- 2) Four (4) recent identical passport-size photographs measuring 35mm x 45mm (*all four (4) photographs must be certified at the back by the official listed in 1 above who signs the forms, to the effect that it is a true likeness of the applicant.*) The seal of this official should **NOT** be placed on the photograph.
- 3) Please refer to the section above for all relevant **fees.** The original and three (3) copies of all documents listed hereunder:
 - A Police Certificate of Character inclusive of fingerprints (RCMP)search for immigration purposes (2 COPIES)
 - Medical forms (P&I 40 & 40A. Please note that 40A must be completed by a registered medical officer and accompanied by the results and report of a chest X-ray (2 COPIES)
 - Original Trinidad and Tobago Birth Certificate (supported by an affidavit if needed)
 - Canadian or other citizenship certificate indicating full date of acquisition before July 29th 1988. (*Citizenship Card will not be accepted*)
 - Trinidad and Tobago Passport or Statutory Declaration if passport is not available
 - Photocopy of present national passport (i.e. Canadian or other)
 - A registered marriage certificate (for married women) and a divorce decree if divorced. In cases of multiple marriages, relevant documents must be produced for each marriage. (*Marriage certificates from the church will not be accepted*)
 - Documentary evidence such as a Provincial Change of Name Certificate or Deed Poll from Trinidad and Tobago if name has been changed other than by marriage

Please note if any of the required documents or copies are missing the application will be returned to you.

How do I submit my application?

Applications can be submitted in person with an appointment Out of Province can be submitted via mail, all documents must be notarized

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Do I need to attend an interview?

Persons submitting applications in person should make an appointment to see the Consul (Immigration) at the Consulate General in Toronto.

N.B. All copies must be provided by the applicant at time of application.