Declaration of Intention to retain Irish citizenship by a naturalised Irish citizen residing outside Ireland

This form is only for naturalised Irish citizens residing abroad, who were not granted a certificate of naturalisation as a person of Irish descent or associations.

Section 19 (1) (c) of the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 1956, as amended, provides that the Minister for Justice and Equality may revoke a certificate of naturalisation if he is satisfied that (except in the case of a certificate of naturalisation which is issued to a person of Irish descent or associations) the person to whom it is granted has been ordinarily resident outside the State or, in the case of an application for a certificate of naturalisation granted under section 15A, resident outside the island of Ireland (otherwise than in the public service) for a continuous period of seven years and without reasonable excuse has not during that period registered annually in the prescribed manner (using this form) his/her name and a declaration of his/her intention to retain Irish citizenship with an Irish diplomatic mission or consular office or with the Minister.

Guidance on filling out the form

This form is a written statement, declared to be true by you in the presence of an authorised person*. By signing the declaration you are stating that you understand the form and that the facts provided in the form are true and correct to the best of your knowledge. You should complete boxes D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7 and D8 and your authorised witness should complete W1, W2, W3 (either W3.0, W3.1 or W3.2), W4, W5, W6, W7 and W8.

*This declaration shall-
(a) if made in the territory of the State, be made before any of the following persons:
   i. a notary public,
   ii. a commissioner for oaths,
   iii. a peace commissioner,
   iv. a minister of religion stating his or her denomination and address for place of worship,
v. a member of Dáil Éireann or Seanad Éireann or a member of the European Parliament for a constituency within the State,
vii. a barrister or solicitor,
viii. a registered medical practitioner for the purposes of the Medical practitioners Acts 1978 to 2002,
ix. a qualified teacher who is a member of the teaching staff of a primary or secondary school or a third level institution.

or

(b) if made elsewhere, be made before one of the following persons:
i. a person to whom section 5 of the Diplomatic and Consular Officers (Provision of Services) Act 1993 (No. 33 of 1993) applies, namely, the head of an Irish diplomatic mission, a member of the diplomatic staff of an Irish diplomatic mission a career consular officer of Ireland and an honorary consular officer appointed by the Minister for Foreign Affairs,
ii. a notary public, or

iii. any person who is, by the law of the country in which the declaration is made, a commissioner for oaths or other person authorised to take affidavits and for that purpose to administer oaths.

You must send your completed application form and required documents to the address below

Citizenship Declarations
Immigration Service Delivery
Department of Justice and Equality
Rosanna Road
Tipperary Town
E34 N566
Data privacy notice

1. The data you provide in this form is collected by Immigration Service Delivery (ISD), a part of the Department of Justice and Equality. The data controller for the information you provide is the Department of Justice and Equality. The data controller’s contact details are: Citizenship Division, Immigration Service Delivery, the Department of Justice and Equality, 13 – 14 Burgh Quay, Dublin 2, D02 XK70.

2. You can contact the Data Protection Officer for the Department of Justice by writing to: The Data Protection Officer, the Department of Justice and Equality, 51 St. Stephen’s Green, Dublin 2, D02 HK52. Or by email – dataprotectioncompliance@justice.ie

3. We will use the personal data you provide in this form for the following purposes:
   1. Assessing your eligibility for this application
   2. Verifying your identity
   3. We may also use the personal data you provide in this form and in associated correspondence as part of any future considerations regarding your immigration or citizenship status.

4. We collect and process this data in order to comply with our legal obligations or to perform tasks in the public interest. The specific basis for collecting and processing this data is as follows:
   1. To fulfil the function of the Minister for Justice and Equality as designated in the Ministers and Secretaries Act 1924 (as amended)
   2. To revoke certificates of naturalisation (Part III) as set out in Section 19 (1) ( c ) of the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 1956, as amended.
   3. We are obliged to collect and process this data in order to perform a task which fulfils an important public interest. The public interest includes ensuring the effective and efficient operation of the immigration services of Ireland.
   4. To protect the integrity of the immigration process and to ensure that the statutory provisions of the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 1956 are complied with.

5. The personal data provided here will be stored securely in ISD’s databases and the Garda National Immigration Bureau’s databases. It may be shared, if necessary, with the following third parties:
   1. The Department of Foreign Affairs
2. An Garda Síochána / UK Border Agency
3. Department of Social Protection
4. Department of Children and Youth Affairs
5. Health Services TUSLA
6. Other government departments and agencies

6. This data may be retained until ISD can be sure that you will have no further contact with the immigration services. This is an indeterminate period as your immigration history in the State may span a full lifetime. It will be referred thereafter to the Director of National Archives for appraisal under the National Archives Act 1986.

7. The personal data you provide in this form is necessary for us to determine if you meet the criteria for this scheme. If you do not provide this data, your application for this scheme cannot be processed.

8. You have the right to request access to, and a copy of, your personal data that we process. You can do this by filling in a Subject Access Request form, available at http://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Pages/Data_Protection or from any Department of Justice and Equality Public Office, and forwarding it to subjectaccessrequests@justice.ie or by post to the Department of Justice and Equality Data Protection Officer at the address below. You may be required to verify your identity before we send the information to you.

9. You have the right to request us to rectify any errors in your data or to erase your data, as well as to seek a restriction of the processing of your data or to object to the processing of your data in certain circumstances. To do this you should write to Citizenship Division, Immigration Service Delivery, the Department of Justice and Equality, 13 – 14 Burgh Quay, Dublin 2, D02 XK70 explaining what errors need to be rectified or erased or your reasons for seeking the restriction of, or objecting to, the processing.
10. You have a right to lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Commission if you believe your personal data is being processed by us unlawfully. Information about how to make a complaint can be found on www.dataprotection.ie.
Form 5 – Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 1956

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Section 1  Declaration – to be completed by declarant

I, First name (s) and last name (s) D1 to whom the under-mentioned particulars relate, hereby declare my intention to retain my Irish citizenship.

Signature: D2 Date: D D / M M / Y Y

D3 Current address

Section 2  Witness details

This section needs to be filled out by the authorised person (see page 1 of this form – “Guidance on filling out the form” for further details) who witnesses your declaration.

Declared and subscribed before me

Name of Witness in Capitals W1.1

a* Insert Qualification W1.2 by Name of Applicant W2

[who is personally known to me], W3.0

OR

[who was identified to me by Name W3.1 who is personally known to me],

OR
[whose identity has been established to me before the taking of this Declaration by the production to me of:

Passport no.  

issued on  

by

the Irish State at  

this day of  

Month and Year

Name (W6): 

______________________________________________________

Signature (W5): 

______________________________________________________

W7. Witness address

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W8. Witness phone (day time):

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Section 3  Particulars relating to the declarant

Number of certificate of naturalisation

______________________________________________________

Date of issue of certificate of naturalisation

DD/MM/YYYY

Date of commencement of residence outside Ireland

DD/MM/YYYY

Date and place of last declaration, if any

DD/MM/YYYY