



Cook Islands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration

Application for Eligible Child Permanent Residence

Use this form to apply for Permanent Residence as an eligible child. You must be under 18 years old to apply.

This application may be completed by a parent or guardian of the applicant on their behalf.

If the form is completed by **someone other** than a parent or guardian, please complete sections B6 and B7 and the declaration at Section G.

Please complete this form using BLUE or BLACK pen only. Write clearly using BLOCK lettering. Mark boxes with an

What are you applying for?

Permanent Residence as a dependent child of Cook Islander by adoption	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permanent residence as a dependent child of a Cook Islander by parenting order	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permanent residence as a dependent of a permanent resident	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section A: Applicant's personal details


A1. Name as shown in passport

Family/last name:			
Given/first name(s):			
Other names you are known by or have ever been known by:			
Gender:	Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Date of birth (DD/MM/YY):
			/ /
Town/city of birth:		Country of birth:	

A2. Passport details

Passport Number:		Country of Issue:		Expiry date (DD/MM/YY):	/ /
Other citizenships you hold:					

A3. Do you hold a valid permit to live in the Cook Islands?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
A4. Are you single? (i.e. not married or in a de facto relationship)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Section B: Contact details			
B1. Current residential address:			
B2. Telephone Number/s:		B3. Email:	
B4. Name and address for communication about this application?			
Same as address at B1 <input type="checkbox"/>	Same as address at B5 <input type="checkbox"/>	Different address (<i>write in B7</i>) <input type="checkbox"/>	
B5. Address for contact:			
Address:			
Telephone Number/s:		Email:	
B6. Do you authorise any other person (who is not your parent or guardian) to act on your behalf? <i>Note: the person acting on your behalf will receive all communication about your application from Cook Islands Immigration.</i>			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
B7. If yes, please provide the name, address and contact details for this person:			
Name:			
Address:			
Telephone Number/s:		Email:	
Section C: Permanent residence for an eligible child			
C1. Have you lived in the Cook Islands continuously for the past 5 years with a parent or guardian?			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
If Yes, you will need to provide evidence of this			

Section D. Declaration by applicant

I [full name of applicant] _____ state that:

- (a) all the information that I have provided is true and correct:
- (b) all the documents that I have provided are original and unaltered, or if copies of an original document, have been lawfully certified:
- (c) I do not owe any money to the Cook Islands Government (including Cook Islands Immigration):
- (d) I am not serving a ban from travel to, entry, and staying in the Cook Islands:
- (e) I have not been removed or deported from any other country (regardless of how that country may describe forced departure and whether or not they were subsequently banned from the country):
- (f) I am of good character:
- (g) I am not a prohibited person:
- (h) I have not been convicted of—
 - (i) any offence, in the Cook Islands or overseas, for which I was sentenced to imprisonment for a term one year or more (regardless of how that offence and conviction was described in the overseas country, and the term of sentence actually served); or
 - (ii) more than one offence, in the Cook Islands or overseas, for which the combined terms of imprisonment were one year or more (regardless of how those offences and convictions were described in the overseas country, and the term of sentence actually served):
- (i) I am not intending to undertake any actions or activities that are contrary to the values of the Cook Islands, its culture, and its community:
- (j) I am not intending to undertake criminal activities, activities as a member of a gang of concern, terrorist organisation, or other United Nations sanctioned organisation, or any activities that would otherwise constitute a threat or a risk to the security, defence, or public order of the Cook Islands:
- (k) I have an acceptable standard of health and have no health conditions that might be a danger to public health or impose significant costs or demands on Cook Islands' health or special education services:
- (l) I agree to provide any further information or document requested by Cook Islands Immigration where the request is made with good reason:
- (m) I acknowledge that information and documents are being collected, and further information and documentation may be requested, with good reason, to:
 - (i) make a decision on my application or about my eligibility for permanent residence or for the visa or permit or visa or permit waiver for which I have applied; and
 - (ii) detect, prevent, investigate, prosecute and respond to offences or suspected offences against the Immigration Act 2021 or other Acts; and
 - (iii) support the effective governance of the Cook Islands and to support the effective operation of other Government agencies; and
 - (iv) support the health and well-being of the Cook Islands and the Cook Islands community (in particular to manage risks to public health, and to the cost and demand on the publicly funded health service):
- (n) I agree that the application and the associated information and documents can be shared with Government agencies in order to support the success, safety, and security of the Cook Islands, including to manage risks to public health, and the cost and demands on the health services:
- (o) I agree that the application and the associated information and documents (excluding any Police certificates and health tests) can be shared with my prospective employer, education provider, or intern provider (if applicable) if this is necessary to make a decision on my application:
- (p) I agree that by making an application, Cook Islands Immigration can receive information, such as criminal history, health tests, and financial information from third parties. This includes information from the Ministries of Health, Justice, Finance and Economic Management, and Internal Affairs, the Cook Islands Customs Service, Police Service, and international immigration and law enforcement agencies:
- (q) I agree to advise of any changes to the application information or any material changes in circumstance during the application process, and if a visa or permit or visa or permit waiver or both are granted, I agree to abide by all conditions that are imposed on that visa or permit or visa or permit waiver and leave the Cook Islands before it expires:
- (r) I have been advised that if all the required information and documents are not provided, or the declaration is not signed by me, Cook Islands Immigration may be unable to decide my application. If this is the case, it will be declined.

Signature of parent/guardian on behalf of principal applicant: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

G. Declaration by person assisting the applicant who is not a parent or guardian of the applicant

If no one helped the applicant to fill in this form, this section does not have to be completed.

G1: Name and address of person assisting applicant:

Family/last name:

Given/first name(s):

Organisation name (if applicable) and address:

Telephone Number/s:

Email:

G2. Declaration

The person assisting the applicant must read and sign their agreement to this declaration in the space below.

- I understand that after the applicant has signed this form it is an offence for me to change or add further information, or change or add any documents attached to the form, without making a statement identifying what information or material has been changed, added or attached and by whom. If I make these changes or additions, I must state on the form what they were, who made them and the reason they were made.
- I understand that the maximum penalty for this offence is a fine of up to NZ\$10,000 and/or a term of imprisonment of up to 7 years.
- I certify that the applicant asked me to help them complete this form and any additional forms.
- I certify that the applicant agreed that the information provided was correct before signing the declaration

Signature of person assisting _____

Date: _____

Documents required

Use the checklist to find out which documents you must provide.

All applicants must provide:	✓
• Completed, signed application form	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Appropriate fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Copy of passport or travel document	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Copy of permit endorsed in passport	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Evidence that you are the dependent child of your parent or guardian, including either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an original or certified copy of your birth certificate showing the names of one or both parents • an original or certified copy of adoption papers showing that you have been legally adopted by a parent or guardian, or • an original or certified copy of a parenting order that has force in the Cook Islands 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
• Evidence that you have lived in the Cook Islands continuously for the last 5 years	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Evidence that you are the dependent child of a Cook Islander or permanent resident	<input type="checkbox"/>

About the information you provide

Deciding whether you are eligible

Cook Islands Immigration collects the information about you on this form to decide whether you are eligible for a Resident Child visa and permit, or permanent residence. Collecting the information is authorised by the Cook Islands Immigration Act 2021 and the Cook Islands Immigration Regulations 2022 made under that Act. You do not have to provide the information, but if you do not, we are likely to decline your application.

Cook Islands Immigration may also share the information you have provided with other government agencies that are entitled to it by law, or with other agencies (as you have agreed in the declaration). You are able to ask for the information we hold about you and have any of it corrected if you think it is necessary. The address of Cook Islands Immigration is Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration, Government Building, Avarua, Rarotonga, Cook Islands.

Other documents we may need

Sometimes we may ask for additional documents or information to consider with an application. You may wish to send other documents or information so that we can consider it with this application. Send photocopies only (not original documents), as these documents will not be returned to you.

If we need to see an original document, we will ask you to produce it later.

Returning your documents

We will return original documents to the address given at **B4** above.

Office Use Only			
Fee breakdown – tick required fee/s			
Permanent Resident child		\$470 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Receipt No.		Date:	/ /
Receiving Officer			
Name			
Date:	/ /	Application scanned to file	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allocating Officer			
Name			
Date:	/ /	Application entered into CMS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Applicant CMS No.			
Travel Movements Check			
Arrival	/ /	Departure	/ /
Principal Immigration Officer Check			
Comments			
Signature:			
Date		/ /	
Communication			
Decision letter sent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date:	/ /
Visa/Permit Number		Any conditions recorded	<input type="checkbox"/>
Start	/ /	Expiry	/ /
Decision signed by			