WHAT IS A CONSULAR REPORT OF BIRTH ABROAD?

If you are a US citizen and your biological child was born in Honduras and you believe he/she is eligible to become a U.S. citizen, your first step is to apply for your child's Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA). This document serves as proof of U.S. citizenship and is generally a prerequisite for the issuance of a U.S. passport if you comply with the requirements established by the Immigration and Nationality Law of the United States. To process an application, the U.S. parent must meet the first three requirements detailed below:

1. Must be a U.S. citizen before the applicant’s birth.
2. Must be the applicant’s biological parent.
3. Must have lived in the United States before the applicant’s birth, for a specific amount of time according to what the law requires depending on each case.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR A CONSULAR REPORT OF BIRTH ABROAD?

Please schedule an appointment in the following website:

https://hn.usembassy.gov/u-s-citizen-services/passports/make-an-appointment/

Should you have any questions, please contact us at (504) 2238-5114 or email us at usahonduras@state.gov

LIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO FOLLOW.
LIST OF REQUIREMENTS FOR A CONSULAR REPORT OF BIRTH ABROAD OF A U.S. CITIZEN

I. FORMS

1. Application for Consular Report of Birth Abroad – Form DS-2029
   https://eforms.state.gov/Forms/ds2029.PDF

   Please read and follow the instructions when filling out the form. Complete all the applicable items, but do not sign this form until you are asked to do so by the Consular Officer during your appointment at the U. S. Embassy.

   - The child’s parent(s) (preferably the U.S. citizen parent) can apply for a CRBA. Either parent may sign and execute this application form before a Consular Officer.
   - If the parents were not married at the time of the child’s birth, the U.S. citizen father must complete all parts of Item 28, page 3 of the form DS-2029 and sign the form at the interview.
   - If the U.S. citizen father will not be present at the interview, he must complete the form DS-5507 form in front of a U.S. - commissioned notary. (See instructions in “Optional forms” below)
   - If one of the parents is deceased, submit an original death certificate.

   Please make sure you correctly fill out Items 24 /25 – Time spent in the United States.

   - The U.S. citizen parent must list actual periods of physical presence in the United States prior to the applicant’s birth in exact detail; starting from the U.S. citizen parent’s time of birth in the U.S. or initial trip to the U.S. up until the child’s date of birth. (Immigration status at the time is irrelevant).
   - You may not count vacation trips abroad, schooling in foreign countries, or any other brief absences outside of the U.S. as physical presence in the United States.

   Sample on how to complete item 24/25 of form DS-2029:

   ![](image)

2. Passport Application – Form DS-11 (If you wish to apply for a passport)
   https://eforms.state.gov/Forms/ds11.PDF
Please read and follow the instructions when filling out the form. Complete all the applicable items but do not sign this form until you are asked to do so by the Consular Officer during your appointment at the Embassy.

Optional Forms

a) Affidavit of Parentage and Physical Presence – Form DS-5507 (If applicable)
https://eforms.state.gov/Forms/ds5507.PDF

Please read and follow the instructions when filling out the form. This form is to be used only by U.S. citizen fathers who were unmarried at the time of their child’s birth, are currently residing in the U.S. and are not present at the time of the interview.

b) Statement of Consent – Form DS-3053 (If one of the parents is not present)
https://eforms.state.gov/Forms/ds3053.PDF

Please read and follow the instructions when filling out the form. This form is to be used when applying for a passport and if one of the parents is not present at the time of the interview.

- An original DS-3053 must be submitted at the time of the interview.
- The form must be signed in the presence a U.S. Notary or U.S. Consular Officer. (Notaries issued by Honduran attorneys are not accepted).
- The form is only valid for 90 days after it is signed and notarized.
- The form must have attached a photocopy of the signing parent’s ID that was presented to the notary (which is listed in the form).

II. LEGAL DOCUMENTS

1. Original Honduran Birth Certificate.
   - This document is issued at the Registro Nacional de las Personas (RNP).
   - The original must be presented at the time of the interview, we do not accept photocopies.

2. Original Birth Registration record, or certified copy of “folio”.
   - This document can be obtained at the Registro Nacional de las Personas (RNP)

3. Original Parents’ Marriage Certificate (If applicable)
   - This document can be obtained at the Registro Nacional de las Personas (RNP) or at the vital records office of the state where you were married.
   - The original must be presented at the time of the interview, we do not accept photocopies (Certified copies are accepted if issued in the U.S.).

4. Evidence of Dissolution of Previous Marriages (if applicable)
5. Evidence of Parents’ U.S. Citizenship and Valid Identification Document

- If the U.S. Citizen parent was not born in the U.S., he or she must have acquired U.S. Citizenship prior to the child’s birth and submit evidence of his or her citizenship:

**Examples of valid documents:**
- Valid U.S. Passport
- Previous Passports (if available)
- U.S. Birth Certificate
- U.S. Naturalization/Citizenship Certificate
- Consular Report of Birth Abroad

6. Proof of Identification of the Non-U.S. Parent

**Examples of valid documents:**
- Valid Passport
- Valid ID Card
- Valid Driver’s license

III. PROOF OF BIOLOGICAL PARENTAGE

In order to transmit citizenship to your child, you must prove the blood relationship between yourself and the child for whom you are applying. You can submit the following documentation if available:

- Parents’ previous Passports (U.S. and / or Hondurans available)
- Honduran Immigration Movement or U.S. CBP entry/exit record
- Pre-natal and post-natal family photos that include the mother, father and child
- Pre-natal medical records
- Ultrasounds, vaccination card and prenatal check card.

IV. EVIDENCE OF PHYSICAL PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES

The Immigration and Nationality Act specifies that in order to transmit citizenship to a child, the U.S. Citizen parent must have been physically present in the United States for a specific amount of time prior to the child’s birth.

a) If both parents are U.S. Citizens: One of the parents needs to present proof that he/she resided in the United States or its outlying possessions before the child’s birth. No specific period of residence is required.
b) If the U.S. Citizen mother was a single mother at the time of her child’s birth: If the American mother was single at the time the child was born and the child was born before June 12, 2017: She needs to present proof of physical presence in the United States for one continuous year at some point prior to the child’s birth.

c) If only one of the parents is a U.S. Citizen:

- and the child was born before November 14, 1986: the U.S. Citizen needs to submit proof that s/he was physically present in the United States or its outlying possessions for at least ten years prior to the child’s birth and at least five of these years after the age of fourteen.

- and the child was born after November 14, 1986: the U.S. Citizen would have to present proof that s/he was physically present in the United States or its outlying possessions for at least five years prior to the child’s birth and at least two of these years after the age of fourteen.

Examples of valid documents:

- 1040 Income Tax forms along with the W-2 form from years prior to applicant’s birth
- High school transcripts
- College or university transcripts
- Military records DD-214
- Social Security Earning Statements that reflect your income for the years worked

Additional considerations:

If you were a seaman, other than U.S. Coast Guard, prior to your child's birth: Only the time spent in U.S. “Coastal Waters” is considered as physical presence in the United States. "Coastal" voyages are those between ports in the same State or adjacent States, which usually do not go outside the 3-mile limit of the territorial sea. Time spent on voyages defined as “Foreign” or “Coastwise” (those from one U.S. port to another in a non-adjacent State in which the vessel travels outside U.S. territorial waters) is not considered physical presence in the United States. As proof you may submit: your seaman's discharge records, a letter from your employer detailing the type of waters in which you traveled, U.S. Coast Guard records, or any other type of documentation that shows the type of water in which you traveled.

The following documents are NOT considered sufficient proof of Physical Presence in the United States: Social Security earning statements, driver's licenses, or bank statements, as you do not need to be physically present in the United States for a specific amount of time in order to report, file or obtain these documents.

********** DO NOT MAKE ANY TRANSLATIONS OF DOCUMENTS **********
CONSULAR REPORT OF BIRTH ABROAD
U. S. Embassy in Tegucigalpa, Honduras

CONSULAR FEES

At the Embassy: Fees may be paid in U.S. Dollars or the equivalent in Lempiras. International credit cards or debit cards are accepted. Personal checks are NOT accepted.

At the Consular Agency in San Pedro Sula: Fees may be paid in Lempiras ONLY. International credit cards or debit cards are accepted. Personal checks are NOT accepted.

The consular fees are NOT refundable.

- Consular Report of Birth Abroad: $100
- Passport for minor under 16 years of age: $115
- Passport for 16 years and older: $145

V. PHOTOS

Two (2) recent color photographs, 2"X2", on white background with full front view. (No eyeglasses)
CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

FORMS

☐ Form DS-2029
☐ Form DS-11
☐ Form DS-3053 (If applicable)
☐ Form DS-5507 (If applicable)

LEGAL DOCUMENTS

☐ Minor’s Original Honduran Birth Certificate in Literal Form
☐ Folio issued by Registro Nacional de las Personas (RNP)
☐ Marriage Certificate (Mandatory if the applicant was born in wedlock, please specify)
☐ Divorce decree(s) (Mandatory if the applicant was born in wedlock and any of the parents have been previously married, please specify)
☐ Evidence of Parents’ U.S. Citizenship and Valid Identification Document
☐ Proof of Identification of the Non-U.S. Parent

PROOF OF BIOLOGICAL PARENTAGE

☐ Pre-natal and post-natal family photos that include the mother, father and child
☐ Pre-natal medical records
☐ Ultrasounds, vaccination card and prenatal check card.

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ADDITIONAL

☐ Two recent color photographs, size 2 "x 2", in white background with full frontal view.

Forms available at: https://hn.usembassy.gov/u-s-citizen-services/birth/
Example of copy of Folio: