

MAURITIUS CITIZENSHIP ACT

FACT SHEET No. 8

Section 16 – Issue of Certificate of Citizenship in case of doubt

1. A person with respect to whose citizenship of Mauritius a doubt exists can apply for a certificate of citizenship by way of a letter under this section.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

2. The following supporting documents in original and two photocopies should accompany the application (clean and legible copies on A4 format):-

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| (a) <i>birth certificate of applicant;</i> | } | <i>recent copies thereof</i> |
| (b) <i>birth certificate of applicant's parents;</i> | | |
| (c) <i>marriage certificate of applicant's parent;</i> | | |
| (d) <i>marriage certificate of applicant ;</i> | | |
| (e) <i>certificate of foreign nationality of applicant (if applicable);</i> | | |
| (f) <i>certificate of foreign nationality of applicant's parents (if applicable);</i> | | |
| (g) <i>evidence of applicant's residence permit abroad (if applicable);</i> | | |
| (h) <i>evidence of applicant's parents' residence permit abroad (if applicable); and</i> | | |
| (i) <i>photocopy of first five pages of applicant's passport.</i> | | |

NOTE: Any change of name should be made executory in Mauritius.

3. A non refundable application fee of Rs 2,000 should be paid upon submission of application.

4. Upon approval, a **prescribed fee of Rs 15,000 is payable** at the Cash Office of the Prime Minister's Office, Level 2, Government Centre, Port Louis and thereafter the Certificate of Registration is issued within one week.

5. If the application is not approved, the applicant is notified accordingly by way of a letter.

VALIDITY OF A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

5. A Certificate of Registration issued under the Mauritius Citizenship Act is valid for an indefinite period but it should be kept safely as **no duplicate** is issued in case of loss.

NOTE:

- Only a complete dossier with all relevant documents will be accepted.
- Processing of applications **generally** requires 12 months.
- No reason will be given for the refusal of any application under the Act.

Prime Minister's Office