

## **APPLICATION FOR DUAL CITIZENSHIP**

### **01. Eligibility for Dual Citizenship**

A person whose citizenship of Sri Lanka has ceased under **Sections 19, 20 or 21 of the Citizenship Act No. 18 of 1948** or a person whose citizenship of Sri Lanka is likely to cease, is eligible for Dual Citizenship of Sri Lanka.

1. **Resumption – Section 19(2)** of the said Act makes provisions with respect to persons whose citizenship of Sri Lanka has ceased upon obtaining the citizenship of another country, who thereafter desire to resume the status of a citizen of Sri Lanka.
2. **Retention – Section 19(3)** of the said Act makes provisions with respect to persons who desire to obtain citizenship in another country, while intending to retain the citizenship of Sri Lanka.

### **02. Required Documents**

- **Application "Form S"**
- Please submit **1 set of photocopies of required documents excluding application and Police Clearance Certificate**

#### **Resumption of Sri Lankan Nationality – Section 19(2)**

<b>Main Applicant</b>	<b>Spouse of Main Applicant</b>	<b>Unmarried Children (Age- less than 21 years and 6 months)</b>
Duly filled Dual Citizenship Application	Duly filled Dual Citizenship Application	Duly filled Dual Citizenship Application (Separate Application for each Child)
3 Passport Size Colour Photographs – Affix 1 on the first page of application	3 Passport Size Colour Photographs – Affix 1 on the first page of application	3 Passport Size Colour Photographs – Affix 1 on the first page of application
Birth Certificate	Birth Certificate	Birth Certificate
Marriage Certificate	Marriage Certificate	Citizenship Certificate issued under Section 5(2) of the Citizenship Act No. 18 of 1948 (if child was born outside Sri Lanka)
Biodata & Observations Page of Sri Lankan Passport (Should have the validity of 6 months from the date of submission of the application)	Biodata & Observations Page of Sri Lankan Passport (Should have the validity of 6 months from the date of submission of the application)	Biodata & Observations Page of Sri Lankan Passport (Should have the validity of 6 months from the date of submission of the application)
Biodata & Observations Page of Foreign Passport [certified as a true copy by Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade (DFAT) in Australia]	Biodata & Observations Page of Foreign Passport [certified as a true copy by Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade (DFAT) in Australia]	Biodata & Observations Page of Foreign Passport [certified as a true copy by Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade (DFAT) in Australia]
Australian Citizenship Certificate [Authenticated by Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade (DFAT), Australia]	Australian Citizenship Certificate [Authenticated by Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade (DFAT), Australia]	Australian Citizenship Certificate [Authenticated by Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade (DFAT), Australia]
NAME CHECK ONLY Certificate issued by the Australian Federal Police (should have 3 months validity)	NAME CHECK ONLY certificate issued by the Australian Federal Police (should have 3 months validity)	<b>Applicable only for children above 16 years</b> - NAME CHECK ONLY Certificate issued by the Australian Federal Police (should have 3 months validity)

**For other relevant Documents: Please see 2.1**

#### **Retention of Sri Lankan Nationality – Section 19(3)**

<b>Main Applicant</b>	<b>Spouse of Main Applicant</b>	<b>Unmarried Children (Age- less than 21 years and 6 months)</b>
Duly filled Dual Citizenship Application	Duly filled Dual Citizenship Application	Duly filled Dual Citizenship Application

3 Passport Size Colour Photographs – Affix 1 on the first page of application	3 Passport Size Colour Photographs – Affix 1 on the first page of application	3 Passport Size Colour Photographs – Affix 1 on the first page of application
Birth Certificate	Birth Certificate	Birth Certificate
Marriage Certificate	Marriage Certificate	Citizenship Certificate issued under Section 5(2) of the Citizenship Act No. 18 of 1948 (if child was born outside Sri Lanka)
Biodata & Observations Page of Sri Lankan Passport (Should have the validity of 6 months from the date of submission of the application)	Biodata & Observations Page of Sri Lankan Passport (Should have the validity of 6 months from the date of submission of the application)	Biodata & Observations Page of Sri Lankan Passport (Should have the validity of 6 months from the date of submission of the application)
Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO)	Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO)	Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO)
NAME CHECK ONLY Certificate issued by the Australian Federal Police (should have 3 months validity)	NAME CHECK ONLY Certificate issued by the Australian Federal Police (should have 3 months validity)	<b>Applicable only for children above 16 years</b> - NAME CHECK ONLY Certificate issued by the Australian Federal Police (should have 3 months validity)

### 2.1. Additional documents required as per the category you are applying for;

- **If Applying Under Category 1A:** Birth Certificate
- **If Applying Under Category 1B:**
  - ❖ Educational/Professional Certificate (Diploma/Degree or higher, or any other professional qualifications). If you are submitting a Diploma Certificate, required Duration is minimum 1 year or above and documents should be submitted to prove the duration.
  - ❖ If academic qualification has been obtained from a foreign institution, it is required to authenticate it by the relevant government authority. [Ex: If it is obtained from a University in Australia, certificate should be authenticated by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)]
- **If Applying Under Category 1C:** Documentary Proof of Assets (Deeds, Valuation Report & Title Report)
- **If Applying Under Category 1D:** Letter of Confirmation from the bank stating that money will not be withdrawn from the relevant account for a period of 3 years and a copy of the Fixed Deposit Certificate.
- **If Applying Under Category 1E:** Letter of Confirmation by the bank. stating that money will not be withdrawn from the relevant account for a period of 3 years
- **If Applying Under Category 1F:** Letter of confirmation by the relevant authority confirming that the investment will not be withdrawn prior to maturity

### 03. Instructions for Completing the Application

1. The application must be completed in **BLOCK LETTERS**.
2. Wherever \* appears, inapplicable word/s must be cut off.
3. If a particular field is inapplicable, write **NOT APPLICABLE** or **NOT RELEVANT**.
4. Visa Entitlement Verification Online (**VEVO**) from the Department of Immigration & Citizenship of Australia. This can be obtained free of charge from the Australian Immigration website. (Certificate should be less than a month old from the date of submission of the application). **To obtain VEVO please visit the following website:** <https://online.immi.gov.au/evo/firstParty?actionType=query>

5. To obtain NAME CHECK ONLY Certificate from Australian Federal Police (AFP) , Please visit <https://afpnationalpolicechecks.converga.com.au>
6. Translations will not be accepted in lieu of originals.
7. All photocopies must be submitted as one A4 sized copy.
8. Do not counter-sign copies where the originals are already authenticated.
9. Name changes in any supporting documents should be verified by a **Name Change Certificate** (Should be authenticated by the relevant government authority) or an **Affidavit**.
10. Australian birth certificates **do not** need to be authenticated.
11. Documents requiring authentication must be lodged at the Australian Passport Office (a division of DFAT), in Docklands, Victoria. Documents can be:

Lodged personally. This requires an appointment. Call <b>1300 935 260</b> for further enquiries.	Australia Level 2 Collins Square 747 Collins Street DOCKLANDS VIC 3008 Time: 8.40 am to 1.00 pm – Monday to Friday
Lodged via post.	Australian Passport Office – Legalisations GPO Box 2239 Melbourne VIC 3001

- The affidavit on Page 6 of the Application Form should only be completed & signed at the Consulate General, before an official of the Consulate General (or before a Sri Lankan Honorary Consul).
  - Applicants over the age of 16 should sign the affidavit before the officials of the Consulate General or a Sri Lankan Honorary Consul.
  - Applicants below the age of 16 are not required to sign the affidavit. The main applicant should sign on behalf of them and mention their relationship to the minor applicant (ex: Mother/Father).

### Payment

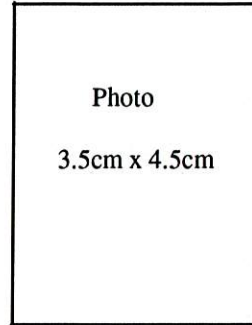
- Application Fee: **AUD 65 [In addition, attestation fees will be charged for the foreign certificates (if any)]**
- Payment should be **made ONLY in cash at the counter.**
- **Personal/Company cheques and Credit/Debit cards are not accepted.**

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Form "S"

(For Office use only)

File No. :							
Certificate No.							



- 1) To be completed in "BLOCK CAPITALS"
- 2) Please follow instructions on page 7, 8 & 9 before perfecting this application.
- 3) Each member of the family has to submit a separate application. \* Delete whatever inapplicable.

(Affix a passport size colour photograph here)



**Citizenship Act No 18 of 1948 (Chapter 349)**

Application for a certificate of Resumption / Retention\* Citizenship of Sri Lanka whilst being a citizen of a country other than Sri Lanka under section 19(2) or 19(3).\*

I, the undersigned who is / desirous of being\* a citizen of a country other than Sri Lanka and to whom the following particulars relate, hereby apply to the Ministry of Public Order and Christian Affairs for a certificate relating to a declaration that I have resumed / retained\* the status of a citizen of Sri Lanka under section 19(2) / 19(3)\* of the Citizenship Act No. 18 of 1948 as amended by Act No. 45 of 1987.

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Date

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Signature of Applicant

**The application is submitted for Resumption**

**Retention**

Mark ( √ ) in the relevant cage.

**1. Eligible categories for Dual Citizenship**

Any applicant who belongs to **one of the** following categories can apply for dual citizenship.

Mark (√) in the relevant cage.

A. As an applicant who exceeds the age of 55 years.

B. As an applicant who fulfills the Academic / professional qualifications. (minimum one year diploma or higher or any professional qualification.)

- C. As an applicant who owns assets/ immovable properties in Sri Lanka worth Rs.2.5 million or above.
- D. As an applicant who has a fixed deposit of Rs.2.5 million or above for a minimum of 03 year period in any of the commercial banks approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka.
- E. As an applicant who has a fixed deposit of USD 25,000/- or above for a minimum of 03 year period under Non Resident Foreign Currency Account (NRFC), Resident Foreign Currency Account (RFC) or Senior Foreign Invest Deposit Account (SFIDA) in any of the commercial banks approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka.
- F. As an applicant who has invested USD 25,000/- or above for a minimum of 03 year period under TB (Treasury bonds) or SIA (Security Investment Account).
- G. Qualifying by way of the spouse of the applicant or as an unmarried child under the age of 22 of the applicant. A spouse or children eligible under this provision shall be limited to a person whose citizenship of Sri Lanka has ceased under sections 19, 20 or 21 of the Citizenship Act No.18 of 1948 or a person whose citizenship in Sri Lanka is likely to cease.

**2. Particulars relating to the applicant.**

1. Applicant's Name:
- I. Full Name: .....
- .....
- II. Name with Initials: .....
2. Contact Details:
- I. Address (Sri Lankan): .....
- .....
- II. Address (Foreign): .....
- .....
- III. Email Address: .....
- (In BLOCK CAPITALS)
- IV. Contact Number: (i) Foreign .....
- (ii) Local .....
3. Particulars relating to Birth:
- I. Date of Birth: .....
- II. Place of Birth: .....
- III. Birth certificate number & District: .....
4. Nationality: .....

5. National Identity card number (if available): .....

06. Sex : Male  Female

07. IF married;

I. Spouse's Name: .....

II. Nationality of the Spouse: .....

III. Details of the children of the family applying for Dual Citizenship:

	Name of the Child	Date of birth	Nationality
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8. Profession or Occupation: .....

### **3. Particulars relating to applicant's Foreign Citizenship**

(Applicable only for applicants under section 19(2) - Resumption)

01. Citizenship at Birth: .....

2. Country of Present Citizenship: .....

3. Date of acquiring the present Citizenship: .....

4. Citizenship certificate number: .....

5. Foreign passport number & Date of issue: .....

### **4. Particulars relating to applicant's Previous / Present\* Citizenship of Sri Lanka**

1. Details of applicant's parents.

I Father's Name: .....

II Date & Place of Birth: .....

III Mother's Name: .....

IV Date & Place of Birth: .....

2. If applicant's parents are Citizens of Sri Lanka by Registration,

I Father:- Certificate No: ..... Date of Issue: .....

II Mother:- Certificate No: ..... Date of Issue: .....

3. Details relating to the applicant's Sri Lankan passport,

I Number: .....

II Date of Issue: .....

III Place of Issue: .....

4. Details relating to the Permanent Residence Status of the applicant.

(Applicable only for applicants under section 19(3) - Retention)

I. Country: .....

II. Date Granted: .....

**5. Details relating to benefits accrued to Sri Lanka by applicant's Resumption / Retention \* of Sri Lankan Citizenship.**

Please state the reasons for making an application for resuming / retaining\* Sri Lankan citizenship whilst being a Citizen of another country.

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**6. Details relating to the eligibility.**

I Academic / Professional Qualification.

(Applicable for applicant's applying under Academic / Professional qualifications – Category B)

1. Highest Academic Qualification:

Degree / Diploma	Institution	Period

02. Highest Professional Qualification:

Qualification	Institution	Period

II Assets / Immovable Properties held by the applicant in Sri Lanka. (Applicable for applicant's applying under Assets / Immovable properties – Category C).

Details of Land / Immovable Properties	Deed No / Reference No	Estimated Value (LKR)

III Fixed Deposit. ( Applicable for applicant's applying under Fixed Deposit. - Category D & E) .

Name of the bank	Account No	Deposit Amount (LKR / USD)	Date of Maturity

IV Treasury Bonds (TB) & Security Investment Accounts (SIA). ( Applicable for applicant's applying under Treasury Bonds & Security Investment Accounts – Category F.)

Invested Value (USD)	Date of Maturity

**Affidavit**

(To be submitted by the applicant in support of the application)

I.....do solemnly, sincerely and truly declare and affirm/swear\* that the information I have provided in this form is true and correct. I make this statement conscientiously believing the same to be true. I have not been convicted of a crime or offence either by courts or by any law enforcement authority, in Sri Lanka or in any other country. I am aware that the submission of false or incorrect information and forged documents is a punishable offence and I can be convicted under prevailing laws of Sri Lanka and that my Dual Citizenship may liable for cancellation. I am also aware that I have no right to make a request for refund of any payments made in this connection.

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Signature of Applicant

Sworn/affirmed\* and signed on this ..... day of .....20.....before me at.....

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Seal

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Justice of the Peace / Commissioner of Oaths

