

RESIDENT BELONGER PERMIT



Resident Belonger Permit status was established, as noted in the **May 8, 2015 Official Gazette**, by the administration of the day to offer a legal status option to:

- a) persons referred to in **Article 7 of The Constitution** of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas and who are permanently residing in The Bahamas at the time of application (i.e. persons born in The Bahamas to non-Bahamian parents ...).
- b) persons referred to in **Article 9 of The Constitution** of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas (i.e. persons born legitimately outside The Bahamas to a married Bahamian mother and non-Bahamian father...).
- c) the foreign-born offspring of a Bahamian male referred to in **Articles 3(2) and 8 of The Constitution** of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas, who is married to a non-Bahamian spouse.

Resident Belonger Permit Application Requirements:

- **Letter of Request** addressed to The Director of Immigration
- **\$200.00 non-refundable processing fee** (payable by cash, credit/debit card, postal money order or bank certified cheque)
- Duly completed **First Schedule Part 2 Form 1B application** with \$10.00 Bahamian postage stamp affixed thereon (legible and notarized)
- Applicant's Original **medical certificate** (dated **no earlier than 30 days** of the application being submitted. This is required for each applicant)
- Applicant's original **police certificate** covering five years of residence issued not more than six (6) months; required for applicants age 14 and older

- **Two (2) current passport photographs** of applicant on white background with name printed on back of photo (captured within six (6) months of application, photo size must be 2 X 2 inches)
- VALID copy of **biographical page of passport** for applicant (must be signed and readable and have minimum of two (2) months validity).
- Copy of **biographical page of passport for applicant's parents** (must be signed and readable with minimum of two (2) months validity)
- **Certified copy of parent's marriage certificate** with English translations and Bahamian \$10.00 postage stamp affixed thereon (if applicable)
- **Certified copies of applicant's parent(s) birth certificate(s)** with English translations and Bahamian \$10.00 postage stamp affixed thereon (if applicable)
- Original **birth certificate of applicant** with English translations and Bahamian \$10.00 postage stamps affixed thereon (if applicable) with the verification by the Consulate and authentication of signature by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Documentary evidence of parents' Immigration status
- **Certified copy of parent(s) Death Certificate** where in either case the parent(s) are deceased (must be certified by Registrar General's Department if issued in The Bahamas) (if applicable)
- **Immunization Card** (for minors)
- Copy of **National Insurance Card** (if any)
- **Parent's /Guardian's Information Sheet**
- **All** school records and transcripts
- **Proof of legal guardianship** (for minors)

All further correspondence should be addressed to:

Director	of	Immigration
P.O.	Box	N-831
Nassau, Bahamas		

Please note that:

1. **All documents issued from countries outside The Bahamas must be properly verified** (by apostille or Legalization) and have signature of authentication by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs before they can be submitted.
2. **Certified translations in English are required** for each foreign document submitted and should have a **Bahamian \$10.00 postage stamp** affixed thereto.
3. **Translations must be signed, notarized and prepared by someone proficient in the relevant foreign language.**

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