Link: <https://www.gov.pl/web/mswia-en/apply-to-be-recognised-as-a-polish-citizen>

Citizenship

A foreign national who meets at least one of the following conditions:

1. criterion:

* has resided legally in Poland for a continuous period of at least 3 years based on a permanent residence permit, an EU long-term residence permit or the right of permanent residence,
* has a stable and regular source of income in Poland,
* has the right to occupy a dwelling unit,

1. criterion:

* has resided legally in Poland for a continuous period of at least 2 years based on a permanent residence permit, an EU long-term residence permit or the right of permanent residence,
* has been married to a Polish citizen for at least 3 years or has no citizenship,

1. criterion:

* has resided legally in Poland for a continuous period of at least 2 years based on a residence permit as a refuge which has been granted in Poland,

1. criterion:

* is under 18,
* has resided legally in Poland based on a permanent residence permit, an EU long-term residence permit or the right of permanent residence,
* one of their parents has Polish citizenship,
* the other parent has consented to their child being granted Polish citizenship,

1. criterion:

* is under 18,
* has resided legally in Poland based on a permanent residence permit, an EU long-term residence permit or the right of permanent residence,
* at least one of their parents had their Polish citizenship restored,
* the other parent who does not have Polish citizenship has consented to their child being legally recognised as a Polish citizen,

1. criterion:

* has resided legally in Poland for a continuous period of at least 10 years;
* has a permanent residence permit, an EU long-term residence permit or the right of permanent residence,
* has a stable and regular source of income and the right to occupy a dwelling unit in Poland;

1. criterion:

•    has resided legally in Poland for a continuous period of at least 1 year; •    has a permanent residence permit obtained on the ground of Polish origin or in connection with their status as a holder of the Pole’s Card (Karta Polaka).

1. Collect all the necessary documents.
2. Pay the stamp duty.
3. Submit your application to a voivodeship governor.
4. Wait for a reply. For details, see ‘How long you will wait’.

You can submit your application or send it by post to a voivodeship governor – depending on where you reside. PLN 219 for issuing the decision.

**Prepare**

* application for recognition as a Polish citizen,
* translation of foreign documents into Polish – if you attach foreign-language documents to the application; such translation must be done by a sworn translator or the Polish consul.