



REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

RESTORATION OF CITIZENSHIP

GENERAL INFORMATION

Purpose: This application kit is for former citizens of Trinidad and Tobago by birth or descent who (**prior to July 29th, 1988**) have renounced citizenship of Trinidad and Tobago in order to acquire citizenship of another country.

Citizenship is restored retroactively to the date of renouncement.

Who needs an application for restoration of citizenship?

All former citizens of Trinidad and Tobago by birth or descent who (**prior to July 29th, 1988**) have renounced citizenship of Trinidad and Tobago in order to acquire citizenship of another country and who would like to have their Trinidad and Tobago citizenship restored.

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| <p>Note 1. <u>A person who acquired Nigerian or other citizenship after July 29th, 1988 does not have to apply for restoration.</u></p> <p>Note 2. <u>A person who acquired Nigerian or other citizenship through an involuntary act, being under the age of 18 does not have to apply for restoration.</u></p> |
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APPLYING FOR RESTORATION OF CITIZENSHIP

How do I apply for restoration of citizenship?

Complete the "Restoration of Trinidad and Tobago Citizenship" application form, include the fee and documents listed below. Then submit application in person or mail to the address found below.

Where can I get an application form?

Application forms are now available online. You can also obtain an application form by mail (please send a pre-paid, self addressed return envelope), or by visiting one of the offices below:

High Commission for the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
7, Casablanca Street, Off Nairobi Street
Off Aminu Kano Crescent, Wuse II, Abuja

FEE: A non-refundable processing fee of **(see fees page)** payable by **certified cheque or money order** only, made payable to the "High Commission of Trinidad & Tobago " must be paid at the time of application.

A fee of **(see fees page)** for the Notary Public service provided at the High Commission. When the application is approved, you will be required to pay the Certificate Fee of **(see fees page)**

What documents should I submit?

The following documents must accompany your application for restoration of Trinidad and Tobago citizenship. If any of the required documents are missing the application may be returned to you.

The applicant must provide:

- 1) **Two (2) copies of all documents must be submitted with the originals.**
- 2) Applications can be submitted either in person or through the mail.

(Mailed- in applications should be accompanied by a self-addressed envelope with N50.00 worth of stamps affixed for the return of your original documents.)
- 3) The Application form (Form 16) must be completed in **triplicate** and be signed in the presence of a Notary Public, Commissioner of Affidavits, a Judge of the Supreme Court or Justice of the Peace who would then affix his signature and seal in the spaces provided.
- 4) (This service can also be provided by the High Commission for **(see fees page)** fee of payable by **money order or certified cheque only** , made payable to the "High Commission for Trinidad and Tobago")

- 5) Medical forms (P&1 40 &40A). **Please note that 40A must be completed by a medical officer and the report and results of a chest X-ray must be included.**
- 6) Four **(4)** recent identical passport-size photographs (one of which must be certified at the back by the official from section 2 who signed the forms, to the effect that it is a true likeness of the applicant. The seal of this official should **NOT** be placed on the photograph
 - 1) A Police Certificate of Character for immigration purposes
 - 2) Original Trinidad and Tobago Birth Certificate (supported by an affidavit, if full name does not appear on certificate or if the name is spelled wrongly).
 - 3) Trinidad and Tobago Passport, if applicable
 - 4) Nigerian or other citizenship certificate indicating full date of acquisition, before July 29th, 1988. **(Citizenship Card will not be accepted)**
 - 5) Photocopy of present national passport (i.e. Nigerian or other, if available)
 - 6) Application fee of **(see fees page)** payable by certified cheque or money order only made payable to the "High Commission for Trinidad and Tobago"
 - 7) Married women must produce a registered marriage certificate. If divorced, a divorce decree along with marriage certificate must be produced. In cases of multiple marriage, relevant documents must be produced for each marriage. **(Marriage certificates from the Church will not be accepted).**
 - 8) If name has been changed otherwise than by marriage, documentary evidence must be produced, such as Provincial Change of Name Certificate or Deed Poll from Trinidad and Tobago.
 - 9) When the application is approved, you will be required to pay the Certificate Fee of **(see fees page)**
 - 10) Persons submitting applications in person should make an appointment to at the High Commission.

Where do I submit my application?

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Do I need to attend an interview?

Persons submitting applications in person should make an appointment to see the Consular Officer.