

Naturalization for Third Country Nationals with a Permanent Resident Status

*This procedure concerns third country nationals who hold a permanent residence permit which is valid for 5 years

Documents (10)

1. A photocopy of the citizenship declaration. This declaration shall be submitted by the applicant to the Municipality of their permanent residence, and shall be signed in front of the Mayor or another assigned officer. This procedure requires the presence of 2 Greek citizens as witnesses
2. A citizenship application directed to the Minister of Interior which shall be submitted to the Decentralized Administration in which the municipality is subjected.
 - a. The application should be completed in Greek letters and signed by the applicant themselves.
3. A recent colored photo
4. An exact copy of a valid passport or another travel document or another proof of identity.
5. A copy of the permanent residence permit
6. A copy of the tax clearance or a copy of the income tax declaration regarding the last economic year. In case the applicant does not submit a tax declaration to the National Tax Service, they can provide the clearances/declarations of family members(spouse/parent). In case there does not exist such a document , the applicant can submit a solemn declaration (L. 1599/86) in which the applicant should state that they do not submit any tax declarations to the state and the reasons for not doing so
7. Social Insurance Registry Number (A.M.K.A.)
8. A 700 Euro Fee (e-paravolo) and a 200 euro fee for a second application if the first one is rejected. For every fee the applicant shall visit a KEII (Citizens' Service Center).
9. A birth certificate or an equally valid certificate , officially certified and accepted by the national legislation of the first nationality state

Clarifications

- All the certificates issued in states who have accessed the Hague Convention shall have the Apostille stamp on the original document , NOT on the translated ones (there is an available list with countries in the website)
- Some of the states such as Albania and Kosovo, have accessed the convention but Greece has denied to recognize it .(there is an available list with countries in the website) The certificates issued in these states shall have a certification stamp (on the original copies) by the Greek consular services in said state
- The certificates issued in the states that have not accessed the Hague convention shall have a certification stamp (on the original copies) by the Greek consular services in said state.
- The birth certificates should be translated by the Translation Service of the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Greek consular service of the state in which it has been issued or by a Greek lawyer or by an accredited translator who holds a diploma by the Translation Faculty of the Ionian University

Exceptions :

- a) In case the applicant has been born in Greece, a birth certificate from the local register office is enough.
- b) If the applicant is deprived of a passport due to objective reasons in the country of origin which can be verified by the Greek Ministry Of Foreign Affairs, they can submit the residence permit they have acquired due to said reasons according to the article 42 L. 3907/2011.