

Acceptable alternative evidence to show **British** nationality if you do not hold a valid **British** passport

Were you...?	For you	For your parents: If they WERE NOT married to each other	For your parents: If they WERE married to each other	For your grandparents: If they WERE NOT married to each other	For your grandparents: If they WERE married to each other
Born before 1 January 1983	Your full British birth certificate	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Born on or after 1 January 1983 and before 1 July 2006	Your full British birth certificate	Your mother's full British birth certificate	Their marriage certificate and your mother or father's full British birth certificate	N/A	N/A
Born on or after 1 July 2006	Your full British birth certificate	Your mother or father's full British birth certificate	Their marriage certificate and your mother or father's full British birth certificate	N/A	N/A
IF your parents were born after 1 January 1983 and before 1 July 2006	Your full British birth certificate	Your mother's full British birth certificate	Their marriage certificate and your mother or father's full British birth certificate	Your maternal* grandmother's British birth certificate	Their marriage certificate and maternal* or paternal** grandmother or grandfather's British birth certificate

Some people may have a certificate issued by the Secretary of State, be adopted or have a diplomat father and slightly different documents may be used. Please contact us in these circumstances.

If a mother, father or grandparent's British passport is to be provided to show nationality it must be valid (so not expired) and provide a link from your parent's birth certificates. Likewise for any name changes a link must be shown to a birth entry.

If in doubt, please contact us on 01908 372101 for clarification.

NOTE:

Maternal* referring to mother's family

Paternal** referring to father's family