

**FORM A**  
**IRISH NATIONALITY AND CITIZENSHIP ACT 1956**

**Declaration, under section 6B(2) of the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 1956, of residence in the island of Ireland, its islands and seas.**

**NOTES**

- 1) This declaration is effective only in respect of periods of residence in Ireland by the parent of a child born on or after 1 January 2005 as a national of an EU Member State, a state (other than an EU Member State) that is a contracting party to the EEA Agreement or the Swiss Confederation, where such residence occurred in the four year period immediately preceding the birth of the child.
- 2) This declaration should be accompanied by the passport, national identity card, or certificate of nationality, and such other documentation as may be required by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, as appropriate, relating to the person making the declaration.
- 3) This declaration is **NOT** required in connection with the entitlement to Irish citizenship of a child born before 1 January 2005 in the island of Ireland, its islands and seas.
- 4) This declaration is **NOT** required in connection with the entitlement to Irish citizenship of a child born on or after 1 January 2005 in the island of Ireland, its islands and seas, where that child had, *at the time of his or her birth*, a parent (or a deceased parent) who was:
  - (a) an Irish citizen or entitled to be an Irish citizen;
  - (b) entitled to reside in the State without any restriction on his or her period of residence (including in accordance with a permission granted under section 4 of the Immigration Act 2004);
  - (c) a British citizen; or
  - (d) entitled under the immigration laws of the United Kingdom to reside in the United Kingdom (and thus Northern Ireland) without any restriction on his or her period of residence.
- 5) This declaration is **NOT** appropriate in relation to the citizenship entitlement of a child born on or after 1 January 2005 in the island of Ireland, its islands and seas, to parents one of whom was, at the time of the birth, entitled to diplomatic immunity in the State. For children born between 2 December 1999 and 31 December 2004, the correct form of declaration is in Forms 1 and 2 of the Schedule to the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Regulations, 2002 (S.I. No. 567 of 2002).

I..... (*Name in full*)  
of.....  
.....  
.....  
(*address*)

being of full age hereby declare that I am the [father] [mother] of  
.....(*name of child in full*) born at  
.....a place in the  
island of Ireland, its islands and seas, on ..... (*insert date of birth*) and that, during the period of four years immediately preceding my child's birth, I resided in the island of Ireland, its islands and seas, as a national of (*tick as appropriate*):  
(a) an EU Member State namely .....



(b) an EEA member state namely .....

(c) the Swiss Confederation

for the following period(s):

from ..... to .....

from ..... to .....

*(repeat as necessary)*

As evidence of this nationality during the above period(s), I attach *(tick as appropriate)*:

(a) my passport, or

(b) my national identity document; or

(c) a certificate of nationality issued by the competent authority of my country of nationality

I declare that the information given by me in this declaration is correct and that the accompanying documents relate to me.

Signature *(Mr./Ms.)* .....

Date.....

Declared and subscribed before me a ..... *(insert qualification\*)* by the person named above who is personally known to me (or, who is identified to me by.....who is personally known to me).

Signature .....

Name in Block Capitals *(Mr./Ms.)* .....

Address

.....  
.....

Day-time telephone number .....

Date .....

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

**A person who knowingly or recklessly makes (whether in the State or outside the State) a false declaration for citizenship purposes shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable—**

- (i) on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding €3,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months, or to both, or**
- (ii) on conviction on indictment to a fine not exceeding €50,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years, or to both.**

*\* A declaration made under section 6B(2) of the Act shall—*

*(a) if made in the territory of the State, be made before one of the following persons recognised or acting as such within the State:*

- (i) a notary public,*
- (ii) a commissioner for oaths,*
- (iii) a peace commissioner,*
- (iv) a minister of religion stating his or her denomination and address of place of worship,*
- (v) a member of Dáil Éireann or Seanad Éireann or a member of the European Parliament for a constituency within the State,*
- (vi) a member of a local authority for the purposes of the Local Government Act 2001 (No. 37 of 2001),*
- (vii) a barrister or solicitor,*
- (viii) a registered medical practitioner for the purposes of the Medical Practitioners Acts 1978 to 2002, or*
- (ix) a qualified teacher who is a member of the teaching staff of a primary or secondary school or a third level institution,*

*(b) if made in any place other than the territory of the State, be made before one of the following persons:*

- (i) a person to whom section 5 of the Diplomatic and Consular Officers (Provision of Services) Act 1993 (No. 33 of 1993) applies,*
- (ii) a notary public,*
- (iii) any person who is, by the law of the country in which the declaration is made, a commissioner for oaths or other person authorised to take affidavits and for that purpose to administer oaths.*