

Who is this intended for? Target Audience

Minors born abroad.

Procedure

Minor already born at the time of the parent's or adoptive parent's oath

A minor acquires Italian citizenship if the following conditions are simultaneously met:

- The minor lives with the parent (or adoptive parent) at the time of the oath;
- The minor has been residing in Italy for at least two consecutive years, or since birth if under two years of age;
- The parent (or adoptive parent) has been residing in Italy for at least two consecutive years after acquiring Italian citizenship;
- The parent (or adoptive parent) has been residing in Italy for at least two consecutive years prior to the birth of the child.

If all these conditions are met, the parent, after two years of residence following the acquisition of citizenship, must go to the Births and Citizenship Office to request recognition of citizenship for their child.

Minor not yet born at the time the parent or adoptive parent acquires citizenship

A minor acquires Italian citizenship if the following conditions are simultaneously met:

- The parent or adoptive parent has been residing in Italy for at least two consecutive years after acquiring citizenship;
- The parent or adoptive parent has been residing in Italy for at least two consecutive years prior to the birth of the child.

For this provision to apply, both conditions must be fulfilled at the time of the minor's birth: the parent's residence two years prior to the birth and two years after acquiring citizenship.

If the minor is born before the parent has completed two years of residence following the acquisition of citizenship, this provision does not apply.

Minor born to at least one parent or grandparent with exclusively Italian citizenship

A minor acquires Italian citizenship if:

- One of their parents or grandparents holds exclusively Italian citizenship. In the event of the parent's or grandparent's death, it is necessary that they held only Italian citizenship at the time of death.

Minor born to parents who are Italian citizens by birth

If the parents, who are Italian citizens by birth, wish to transmit citizenship to their children, they must submit a specific declaration:

- Within three years of the minor's birth or from the date of recognition/adoption;
- If the declaration is submitted after three years of the minor's birth, the minor must also have resided in Italy for at least two consecutive years following the declaration.

Requirements

If the conditions established by law for the various cases are met, you must contact the Citizenship Office to submit the documentation required for your specific case.

If you reside abroad, you may contact the competent consular authority.

Outcome

You will obtain Italian citizenship.

Accessing the Service**IN PERSON**

The office operates by appointment only.

To schedule an appointment or request information, you may call the contact number from Monday to Friday between 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM and between 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM.

For information regarding the notification procedures of citizenship decrees, you may call 0512195382 or 0512193439 from Monday to Friday between 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM and between 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM.

Where to Go

Births and Citizenship Office
Piazza Maggiore, 6, Bologna

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Closed on Saturdays, public holidays, and October 4th (Feast of Saint Petronius).