



## What is a Certificate of Status for New Zealand Citizens in Australia?

The certificate is an administrative document to certify the status of New Zealand citizens.

## What are the criteria for grant of the certificate?

The *Certificate of Status of New Zealand Citizens in Australia* is only available to New Zealand citizens.

You are only eligible to apply for the *Certificate of Status of New Zealand Citizens in Australia* if you can tick off **one** of the following 3 questions:

- Were you in Australia on 26 February 2001 as the holder of a Special Category (subclass 444) visa?
- Were you outside Australia on 26 February 2001 but had spent a total of at least one year in the 2 years preceding this date in Australia on a Special Category (subclass 444) visa?
- Were you outside Australia on 26 February 2001 but have been issued with a certificate by Centrelink, under the *Social Security Act 1991*, stating that you were, for the purposes of that Act, residing in Australia?

## What documents do you need?

If you have been issued with a certificate by Centrelink under the *Social Security Act 1991* verifying that you are residing in Australia, please provide a certified copy of the certificate.

## How to apply

- Step 1** Complete this form in English using BLOCK LETTERS.
- Step 2** Make sure you have certified copies of the document required.
- Step 3** Payment must accompany your application and is generally not refunded if the application is unsuccessful.  
 To make a payment, please pay by credit card, debit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship. Debit card and credit card are the preferred methods of payment.  
 The application charge for the *Certificate of Status for New Zealand Citizens in Australia* is currently AUD55 (GST inclusive), however you should see form 990i *Charges* for the charge applicable at the time of your application.
- Step 4** Lodge your application by sending it to:  
 Department of Immigration and Citizenship  
 GPO Box 1496  
 HOBART TAS 7001

## How do you get your Certificate of Status from the department?

Once processed, your certificate will be posted to your nominated address by certified mail.

## About the information you give

The information provided will be used for assessing your eligibility to be issued a Certificate of Status for New Zealand Citizens in Australia and for other purposes related to the administration of the *Migration Act 1958*.

## Your details

**1** Your full name

Family name

Given names

**2** Your name as shown in your travel document on entry to Australia (if the same as your present name, write 'AS ABOVE')

Family name

Given names

Reason for change: Deed poll  Marriage

Other

**3** Have you been known by any other names? (including name at birth, previous married names, aliases)

No  Yes  Give details

Family name

Given names

Reason for change: Deed poll  Marriage

Other

*If you have been known by other names, attach a page giving the required details*

**4** Date of birth

**5** Country of birth

**6** Are you a New Zealand citizen?

No  You are not eligible to apply for this certificate.

Yes  New Zealand citizenship obtained at birth

OR Date granted

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**Home page** [www.immi.gov.au](http://www.immi.gov.au)

**General enquiry line** Telephone **131 881** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours). If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.

7 Do you hold any other citizenship?  
No  Yes  Which countries?

8 Your residential address

  
  

9 Your telephone numbers

Office hours

After hours

Mobile/cell

10 Details of entry to Australia

Date of first arrival

Place of arrival

Flight number/  
name of ship (if known)

Passport number(s)

11 If you arrived as a child (under 18) and no longer hold the passport or travel document you used on your first arrival, please give the following details.

Parent's full name

Parent's former name (if applicable)

Parent's date of birth

Sex Male  Female

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## Declaration

**WARNING:** Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

12 I declare that the information I have supplied in this form is complete, truthful and correct in every detail.

Signature of applicant

Date

We strongly advise that you keep a copy of your application and all attachments for your records.

## Credit card details

If you wish to pay by credit card, please complete this section

Payment by (tick one box)

Australian Dollars

MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/>	Diners Club <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="AUD"/>
American Express <input type="checkbox"/>	JCB <input type="checkbox"/>	
Visa <input type="checkbox"/>		

Credit card number

Expiry date  /

Cardholder's name

Telephone number

Address

  
  

Signature of cardholder

Credit card information will be used for charge paying purposes only.

## Office use only

Official receipt number

Date of issue

Certificate number

Date of issue

Action taken

Criteria met 1

2

3

No criteria met

Date of arrival shown on departmental records

Signature of Issuing Officer

Certificate returned by mail  Signature of returning officer

Date