



DOCUMENTS TO PROVIDE TO FRC (NON-HAGUE ADOPTION)

Note: Submit all adoption documents. All listed may not be applicable to your case.

Please scan documents in pdf format. Ensure each document is clear and no part of the document is cut off.

All documents must be legible to be submitted to immigration.

Evidence for Prospective Adoptive Parent(s)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Proof of US Citizenship (If US citizen by birth, submit copy of birth certificate or US Passport; If born outside of US, submit Certificate of Naturalization, US Permanent Resident Card)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of Marriage Certificate (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of all Divorce Decrees and Death Certificates of prior spouses (if applicable)
It is your responsibility to provide accurate and complete information to both your home study preparer and our agency regarding marriages, divorces, annulments, children, previous States/Countries of residence, arrests (including expunged records), and other pertinent details. Once your Home Study is finalized, it will be submitted along with your I-600/I-600A application to immigration. Immigration will review both your I-600/I-600A application and Home Study, as well as your N-400 (Naturalization Application). All information must be consistent and any discrepancies may result in a denial.	
Adoption Documents	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Application when you applied to adopt from the Ministry
<input type="checkbox"/>	Background Study on child (report conducted in country by the Ministry)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Foster care documents (Foster Order, Lifting Order, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Police report: Filed at the time child was abandoned or relinquished
<input type="checkbox"/>	All orphanage records including Birth Certificate if child born in the orphanage or medical facility
<input type="checkbox"/>	All communications letters written between orphanage, Ministry, and court
<input type="checkbox"/>	Biological parents' consent for adoption
<input type="checkbox"/>	Consent for adoption by Ministry
<input type="checkbox"/>	Consent for emigration (allowing child to leave country) May be included in Adoption Order
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adoption Order – court order of finalization (For Ethiopia, FFIC court decision) (For Sierra Leone, the waiver of 6 month care and possession must be listed)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Post-adoption birth certificate issued after adoption finalized listing you as parents
<input type="checkbox"/>	Birth certificate letter from Ministry regarding “no original birth certificate”
<input type="checkbox"/>	Confirmation of adoption (all procedures were followed)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Health Records (copies of all initial and subsequent records)
Travel	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Documentation of all travel dates to child’s country from time of application to Ministry to present, with copies of passport entry/exit stamps and/or travel documents
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nigeria: Must include proof of presence in court at time of adoption finalization (or presence in foster court with waiver to attend adoption finalization)
APPLICABLE TO RELATIVE OR KNOWN PARENT ADOPTIONS ONLY	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Original birth certificate listing biological parent(s)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Death certificate of biological parent(s) (copies of funeral bulletin, obituary, and/or church burial records if available) and/or Consent of biological parent
<input type="checkbox"/>	Proof of incapability of care is there is one surviving parent
<input type="checkbox"/>	Earliest child records (medical/school records that include name, birthdate, and name of biological parents)
Fees	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Receipts for adoption related fees paid in-country (attorney, orphanage, Ministry, court, etc.)
OTHER	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Passport (If you do not have your child’s passport, please start the process of obtaining it.)