

Option for Argentine nationality

The children of Argentine citizens born outside Argentine territory are not, in principle, Argentines.

However, Argentine legislation allows the children of Argentine native citizens born abroad to apply for Argentine nationality through a procedure called option for Argentine nationality.

This procedure can be carried out both in Argentina and at the Argentine Embassy or Consulate that has jurisdiction over the place where the applicant currently resides.

Any son or daughter of a native Argentine citizen born abroad who currently reside in Sweden can “opt” for the Argentine nationality at the Argentine Embassy in Sweden.

Obtaining Argentine nationality does not lead, for Argentine legislation, to the resignation or loss of any other nationality.

After “opting” for Argentine nationality at the Embassy, an Argentine DNI will be generated for the applicant, which will be sent by postal mail to the Embassy.

The applicant may apply for an Argentine passport only after having received his first Argentine DNI.

The optante under 16 years old can only “opt” for the Argentine nationality accompanied by both parents.

The optante over 16 years old can carry out the entire procedure by him/herself, without the involvement of his/her Argentine father or mother.

Fee: amount in SEK equivalent to USD 80 at the exchange rate valid on the processing day. The exact amount in SEK is informed at the Embassy.

An amount in SEK equivalent to USD 15 must be added for the application for the first Argentine DNI.

Estimated duration of the consular appointment: maximum 60 minutes.

Important

The option for Argentine nationality requires the prior registration of the birth certificate of the optante at the Argentine Embassy or Consulate that has jurisdiction over the place of birth of the applicant.

If the optante was born in Sweden and currently resides in Sweden, the registration of birth certificate and option for Argentine nationality can be carried out at the same consular appointment at the Argentine Embassy in Sweden.

If he/she currently resides in Sweden but was born in another country, first the birth certificate must be registered with the Argentine Embassy or Consulate that has jurisdiction over the place of birth and only then the optante can “opt” for the Argentine nationality at the Argentine Embassy in Sweden.

In case registration of birth certificate and option for Argentine nationality are carried out at the same consular appointment, the optante must pay an extra fee for the registration of the birth certificate consisting of the amount in SEK equivalent to USD 40.

Procedure

1° | Request an appointment by email to consulares_esuec@mrecic.gov.ar informing name and surname of the optante (son or daughter of Argentine native citizen born outside Argentina) and -if you wish- preference of days for the appointment.

If you live outside of Stockholm, you can request an appointment for one of our consular visits to the interior of Sweden. Upcoming visits: Malmö 10/18/2018 | Göteborg 10/19/2018.

2° | Wait for the appointment assignment by the Embassy, which you will receive by email within 2 business days after the appointment request.

3° | Attend the appointment bringing the required documentation for the procedure.

Required documentation

1 | If the birth took place in Sweden: Birth certificate (personbevis) of the optante issued by local authorities (Skatteverket), signed and stamped by an official of that body and later legalized with apostille by a notary public.

The personbevis must only contain data of the son or daughter born outside Argentina and their parents. This personbevis is identified in Swedish as utrag om folkbokföringsuppgifter.

On the other hand, the personbevis must include as complementary information the mention of the date of birth of the son or daughter ex. Juan Pérez är född June 10, 2002. This must be requested to Skatteverket. The correct term to request addition of this complementary data is manuell komplettering.

For greater clarity, a personbevis model that contains the characteristics referred to above can be found [here](#).

If the birth took place in another country: certificate of registration of birth certificate granted by the Argentine Embassy or Consulate that has jurisdiction over the place of birth.

2 | Translation into Spanish of the birth certificate (personbevis), made by an official translator. No apostille is required on the translation.

If you do not know any official Swedish-Spanish translator, you should contact Kammarkollegiet (Translators' Association).

3 | Argentine birth certificate of the Argentine father or mother (one of them is enough if both are Argentine).

4 | If the optante is under 16 years old: DNI of both parents, if both are Argentine, or DNI of the Argentine parent and passport of the non-Argentine parent.

If the optante is over 16 years old: his/her own identity document or current passport.

5 | If the optante is under 4 years old: 1 color photo, 4 cm x 4 cm, front, top bust, white background, without glasses or hat.

If your appointment was granted for one of our consular visits to the interior of Sweden, you must also submit a photocopy of the birth certificate of the Argentine father and mother and of the corresponding DNI and passport.