



Ministry of Home Affairs  
Solomon Islands Citizenship  
**APPLICATION INFORMATION**



**CITIZENSHIP ACT 2018**

# Application for citizenship

## *CRITERIA*

The criteria for approving application(s) for Solomon Islands Citizenship by the Citizenship Commission under the Citizenship Act 2018 are:

1. The applicant must be 18 years or over.
2. He or she must be an ordinary resident in Solomon Islands at the time of his or her application.
3. The applicant must have resided in the country for a total of Five (5) years within the Ten (10) years period immediately before the day of the person applies for Citizenship
4. He or she is likely to continue reside or maintain a close and continuing relationship with Solomon Islands.
5. Understand the nature of the application.
6. He or she is of good Character (Clean Police Record)
7. He or She possesses a knowledge of English, Pidgin or a vernacular of Solomon Islands that is sufficient for normal conversational purposes.
8. He or she respects the culture and way of life of Solomon Islands and understand the rights, privileges, responsibilities and duties of Citizenship.

## Application for Citizenship Resumption by Solomon Islander by birth

### *CRITERIA*

1. A person who has lost or renounced his or her Solomon Islands Citizenship is eligible to apply for Birth resumption Citizenship.
2. At least one of the applicant's parents, grandparents or great grandparents is or was a birth Citizen of Solomon Islands.
3. Applicant must be 18 years or over.

## Application for Renunciation

### *CRITERIA*

1. Applicant must be 18 Years and above.
2. Applicant must be a National or citizen of another country.
3. Applicant needs to renounce his or her citizenship of Solomon Islands in order to become a national or citizen of another country and will become a national or citizen of the other country immediately after the approval.

## PROCEDURES – How to apply

When applying for Solomon Islands Citizenship, the following procedures are to be followed:

1. An application form is to be collected from the Citizenship Secretariat and to be filled by the applicant. Upon completing the form, it must be submitted back to the secretariat together with the required documents and the prescribe fee listed accordingly overleaf.
2. After the Secretariat processes the application and is satisfied that all necessary documents and information supporting the application are produced are have met the criteria, it is then put forward to the Citizenship Commission for deliberation.
3. After the Citizenship Commission made its decision on the application, the applicant is informed of the decision whether his or her application is approved, deferred or rejected.
4. If the application is approved, then the Citizenship certificate will be sign and then issued.
5. If the application is rejected by the commission, the applicant can lodge an appeal application to the Review Board as stated under section 28 (3) of the Citizenship Act 2018. The applicant must state reasons why he or she does not agree with the Citizenship Commission decision.

The Review Board can uphold the Commissions' decision or approve the appeal.

The Review Board will convey its decision to the Citizenship Commission and the Secretariat which then inform the applicant about the outcome of his or her appeal application. If the appeal is approved then certificates will be prepared, signed and will be issued.

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS (CHECKLIST)

Upon applying for the Solomon Islands citizenship, the documents must be produced:

1. Completed application form
2. Medical Report
3. Police clearance report
4. Certified Copy of Marriage Certificate
5. Consent letter from spouse
6. Consent letter from employer (If employed)
7. Original Valid Passport
8. Birth Certificate/ Certificate of Declaration
9. Two (2) passport size photos
10. Certified copy of work permit
11. Certified copy of Residence permit
12. Certified copy of current bank statement
13. Citizenship Fee Receipt

All of the above required documents are important and must be submitted along with the completed application form. Failing to provide all listed above documents will result in the application being considered as incomplete and ineligible for deliberation by the Citizenship Commission.

Please take Note, any document(s) written in foreign language other than English must be translated to English. Translated copy must be certified by the Commissioner of oath before it can be considered as acceptable.

Completed application form with required documents and for general citizenship information can be forwarded to the following address:

Secretariat  
Citizenship Commission  
Civil Affairs Division  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
P.O.Box G11  
Honiara  
Solomon Islands

Phone (677) 28602  
Email Address; [william.misibini@mha.gov.sb](mailto:william.misibini@mha.gov.sb)

### **CITIZENSHIP FEES**

The fees to be charged in respect of the Citizenship Act 2018 are specified as follows;

## SCHEDULE – FEES

### (Regulation 4)

No.	Section	Type of Application	Fees (\$SBD)
1	s14(2), (3) and (6)	Application for citizenship for a person who is 18 years of age or more and who is not a birth citizen	\$10,000
2	s14(4)	Application for a birth citizen to resume their birth citizenship	\$2000
3	s14(5)	Application for citizenship for a person of whom a parent, grandparent or great grandparent is or was a birth citizen	\$2000
4	s14(7)	Application for citizenship for a person who is under the age of 18	\$1000
5	s22(2)	Application to renounce citizenship	\$2000
6	s31(2)	Application for a Citizenship Certificate	\$1000