

## Who can apply for Vital Statistics' documents?

The areas below show who is eligible, as there are restrictions.

### Certified Certificates and / or Photocopies of a Registration

Birth	Marriage	Death
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>person</b> whose name is on the birth registration.</li> <li>The <b>parent(s)*</b> of the person whose birth is registered as established by registration documents or by court documents.</li> <li>A <b>guardian, trustee</b>, or person with <b>power of attorney</b> for the person whose birth is registered as established by court documents. Proof is required.</li> <li>Any person with written <b>authorization from</b> the person whose birth is registered or from the parents* of the person whose birth is registered.</li> <li>Any person with an <b>order from the court</b>. Court document is required.</li> <li>A person <b>adopting a child</b> may apply for that child's biological birth certificate. Proof of a pending adoption is required.</li> <li>The <b>legal representative for an eligible applicant</b> or a legal representative who requires it for official duties. Proof of occupation is required (e.g. business cards, etc).</li> <li>Any person who requires it to comply with the <i>Child Welfare Act</i> or the <i>Parentage and Maintenance Act</i>. Proof is required.</li> <li>Any <b>adult next-of-kin** of a person</b> whose birth is registered when that person is deceased. (Common-law is included as next-of-kin).</li> <li>The <b>executor of a person's estate</b>, when the person whose birth is registered is deceased. Proof is required.</li> <li>When the person whose birth is registered is deceased and there are no eligible applicants, an <b>offspring of a deceased next-of-kin**</b> may apply.</li> <li>An <b>Ex-spouse</b> of the person named on the birth registration is only eligible to obtain a "Confirmation Letter" verifying birth details.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A <b>person</b> whose marriage is registered.</li> <li>Any person with <b>written authorization</b> from a person whose marriage is registered.</li> <li>The <b>legal representative for an eligible applicant</b> or a legal representative who requires it for official duties. Proof of occupation is required (e.g. business cards, etc).</li> <li>Any person with an <b>order from the court</b>. Court document required.</li> <li>A <b>guardian, trustee</b> or person with <b>power of attorney</b>, for a person whose marriage is registered as established by court documents. Proof is required.</li> <li>Any <b>adult next-of-kin**</b> of the deceased bride and/or groom.</li> <li>The <b>executor</b> of an estate of the deceased bride and/or groom. Proof is required.</li> <li>When <b>both</b> bride and groom are deceased and there are no eligible applicants, an <b>offspring of a deceased next-of-kin**</b> may apply.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any <b>adult next-of-kin**</b> of the deceased person. (Common-law is included as next-of-kin).</li> <li>A <b>guardian, trustee</b>, or person with <b>power of attorney</b> for the deceased person whose death is registered as established by court documents. Proof is required.</li> <li>Any person with <b>written authorization</b> from the person who is an <b>adult next-of-kin**</b> to the deceased person whose death is registered.</li> <li>The <b>legal representative for an eligible applicant</b> or a legal representative who requires it for official duties. Proof of occupation is required (e.g. business cards, etc).</li> <li>The <b>executor</b> of the deceased person's estate.</li> <li>A <b>funeral home representative</b> who is making, or has made, arrangements for the deceased person.</li> <li>An <b>organization that provides benefits</b> to the deceased persons' survivors or beneficiaries (e.g. insurance company, trust company, financial institution).</li> <li>Any person with an <b>order from the court</b>. Court document required.</li> <li>An <b>Ex-spouse</b> of the deceased, at the discretion of the Director of Vital Statistics.</li> </ul>

### Medical Certificates of Death & Medical Certificates of Stillbirth

- Only adult next-of-kin\*\* may apply. Proof of relationship is required. (If a birth certificate is supplied it must show parentage.)
- For stillbirth documents contact a Registry Agent for eligibility requirements.

EXCEPTIONS		
When a birth record is 100 years old or older, anyone may apply for that record.	When a marriage record is 75 years old or older, anyone may apply for that record.	When a death record is 50 years old or older, anyone may apply for that record.

\* **Parent(s)**: the name(s) shown on the legal *Registration of Birth*, or as recognized by court documents.

\*\* **Next-of-kin**: Mother, father, brother, sister, children, spouse, or common-law spouse. This definition can be found in the Fatality Inquiries Act. This definition does not include in-laws, grand children, grandparents, step relatives, aunts, uncles, nieces or nephews. Persons who have been adopted or who have placed their child for adoption are not "next of kin" to biological relations.