Saskatchewan

## **Community Resources**

## Application For Approval For Intercountry Adoption

This application may be made by two individuals jointly or a single individual resident in Saskatchewan. Application requirements for other countries vary according to the country. The information on this form is required and collected under Saskatchewan intercountry adoption legislation. Please print legibly. Your adoption worker can provide further clarification in regard to any of the questions. All the questions must be completed or answered N/A (not applicable) where appropriate.

**I/We** wish to adopt a child from another country. I/We know that the Department of Community Resources (DCR) is required to approve intercountry adoptive applicants, may place any appropriate terms and conditions on approval and will assist adoptive applicants to ensure all the requirements of an intercountry adoption are met, according to Article 14 of the Hague Convention and Section 27 of *The Adoption Act*.

**I/We** understand that adoption counselling and a written homestudy report used by DCRE and for application to the other country must be completed by a departmental adoption worker or by an approved independent practitioner prior to approval being issued.

**I/We** understand that the documents and the particulars of the adoption will be maintained in departmental records as is required by the legislation. I/We will ensure the documents for adoption required by the child's country of origin or by Saskatchewan are submitted to DCR.

**I/We** understand that acceptance of this application or completion of a homestudy does not guarantee approval or placement of a child.

**I/We** understand the department will issue the letter to Canadian immigration for the child's immigrant visa after the child's report has been received and reviewed. I/We understand that the child's country of origin is responsible for providing the child's report. I/We will make every effort to obtain as much information as possible about the child. I/We will not proceed with an adoption of any child unless we are satisfied we understand and can meet the child's needs, especially medical, developmental and social needs.

**I/We** understand that some countries require follow-up reports after the child has arrived in Canada and agree to fulfill any requirements of the adoption after the child has arrived in our home.

I/We wish to adopt a child from \_

(country)

If the child is already known, please provide confirmation from the adoption authority where the child resides identifying the child and confirming child can be legally adopted.

My/Our reason for planning to adopt at this time: \_\_\_\_\_

Full legal name of first applicant		
Previous surname		_ Work Phone No
Full legal name of second applicant		
Previous surname	Work Phone No	
Address	City	Postal Code
Home Phone No		
Home Phone No		

Fir	st Applicant					Sec	cond A	pplicant	
Birthdate	Birthplace			Birthdate			Birth		
Ethnic Origin (e.g. Scottish)				Ethnic Origin	(e.g. Scot	ttish)			
Race				Race					
Canadian Citizen? Yes No				Canadian Cit		S No			
Other Citizenship				Other Citizen					
Highest Education Attained				Highest Ed	ucation A	Attained			
Occupation				Occupation	I				
Approximate Gross Annual Incon	ne			Approxima	e Gross	Annual Inco	me		
Place of Employment			Place of Employment						
Religion		Practising? Yes	]	Religion Practising? Yes □ No □					
Marital Status				Marital Stat	us				
Date and place of marriage (if applicat	ole)			Date and place	e of marr	iage (if applica	able)		
Children of First and Seco	nd Applicants								
Name		Birthdate	Sex	Sex Race Adopted/Biological Address		Address			
Other Household Members Record Check)	(all adult members	s of a household req	uire a	Police	Year	Birthdate Month	Day		Relationship
Have you adopted before?		o 🗌 If Yes, Y				-			
Are you currently registere						'es, specif	fy		
Length of time you have re									
I/We are advising the departm assistance to accomplish and						val for inte	rcoun	try adoptior	n and the information and

I/We agree to advise the department of any change in my/our circumstances that would alter the personal information on this application.

I/We understand that information pertaining to this application will be shared with others ONLY for the purpose of an intercountry adoption.

I/We authorize DCR to contact those who may provide information relevant to this application and to share our information as required to complete the intercountry adoption process.

I/We understand Section 36, The Adoption Act that states: "No action lies or shall be instituted against the minister, the department, a peace officer or any officer or employee of the department or agent of the minister, where the minister, department, peace officer, officer, employee or agent is acting pursuant to the authority of this Act, the regulations or an order made pursuant to this Act, for any loss or damage suffered by a person by reason of anything in good faith done, caused, permitted or authorized to be done, attempted to be done or omitted to be done, by any of them, pursuant to or in the exercise of or supposed exercise of any power conferred by this Act or the regulations or in the carrying out or supposed carrying out of any order made pursuant to this Act or any duty imposed by this Act or the regulations.

Approved independent adoption practitioners by law are allowed to charge only reasonable professional fees and costs or expenses.

Do you plan to use the services of an accredited Canadian Intercountry Adoption Agency?

Yes No If yes, Name/Location of Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants have the option of utilizing DCRE, or an independent practitioner for homestudy reports and follow-up reports. Please check one box to indicate plans for utilizing each service below:

Homestudy\*

Saskatchewan Community Resources and Employment	Independent Practitioner
□ \$600 □x \$100 = \$	
Total Enclosed \$ Form of Payment (Cash / Cheque)	

\* A homestudy includes completion of a homestudy report. If the homestudy report is completed by an adoption agency or independent practitioner, it will be forwarded to DCR upon completion. If for any reason the homestudy report requires updating prior to a child being adopted, DCR will charge an additional \$300 to update the report.

DCR will charge for the homestudy and follow-up reports to a maximum of \$1000 for each adoption.

If planning to utilize an agency or independent practitioner, please provide names:

Adoption Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Independent Practitioner:

May we contact you after the requirements of the adoption have been completed for information on your families progress? Yes  $\Box$  No  $\Box$ 

Signature of First applicant

Signature of Second applicant

Date

Date

## OFFICE USE ONLY:

Adoption Social Worker: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

ACI Client # \_\_\_\_\_

Attachments: Copy of document of personal identification is attached, specifically \_\_\_\_\_

Homestudy/Follow-up Report fees \_\_\_\_\_

$\checkmark$	Important Checkpoints	Completed by	Estimated Time of Completion
	Research, meet with other intercountry adopters, choose country	Applicants	
	Review immigration and citizenship requirements	Applicants	
	Make application under Section 27, The Adoption Act	Applicants	
	Complete homestudy report, including required supporting documents and any additional documents required by child's country of origin.	Applicants/IP/DCR	
	Provincial letter of approval	DCR	
	Document preparation	DCR/Agency	
	Forward adoption dossier to authority in other country	DCR/Agency	
	Receive child referral/proposal from	DCR	
	Respond to child referral/proposal and confirm follow-up reports as appropriate	Applicants/DCR	
	Letter of agreement or no objection to immigration visa post	DCR	
	Receive notice to travel to receive the child	DCR/Applicants	
	Travel to other country and return home	Applicants	
	Apply for child's health coverage	Applicants	
	Complete follow-up reports	Applicants/DCR/IP	
	Apply for child's citizenship	Applicants	
	Legal requirements of adoption complete		

DCR - Saskatchewan Department of Community Resources IP - Independent Practitioner