

QUESTIONNAIRE: Are You Eligible for Naturalization?

Even if you are not a U.S. citizen by birth, you can become a U.S. citizen through a process called “naturalization.” If you can answer “yes” to all of the following questions (as applicable), you are eligible to become a naturalized U.S. citizen.

Are you at least eighteen years of age? Yes _____ No _____

Are you a permanent resident of the United States.? Yes _____ No _____

Have you been issued a Permanent Resident Card, which used to be called an Alien Registration or Green Card? Yes _____ No _____

Have you been a permanent resident for five years or more, **OR** if you have not been a permanent resident for at least five years, have you been a permanent resident for at least three years, and have you been married to and living with someone who has been a U.S. citizen for at least three years? Yes _____ No _____

If you have been a permanent resident for at least five years, have you been out of the United States for less than thirty months during the last five years, **OR** if you have been a permanent resident for at least five years and you have been out of the country for thirty months or more during the last five years, are you one of the following? Yes _____ No _____

- A person who has served on a vessel operated by or registered in the United States.
- An employee of or under contract to the U.S. government
- A person who performs ministerial or priestly functions for a religious or interdenominational organization with a valid presence in the United States.

If you have been a permanent resident for between three and five years, have you been out of the United States for less than eighteen months during the past three years? Yes _____ No _____

Have all trips that you have taken outside of the United States lasted less than a year, **OR** if you have taken trips outside the United States of one year or longer duration, were they with an

approved "Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes" (INS Form N-470)?
Yes _____ No _____

Have you lived in the state (or District) in which you are applying for citizenship for at least the last three months? Yes _____ No _____

Can you read, write, and speak basic English? Yes _____ No _____

Can you pass the civics test? Yes _____ No _____

Are you a person of good moral character? Yes _____ No _____

Are you one of the following? Yes _____ No _____

- A female
- A male who has registered with the Selective Service
- A male who did not enter the United States until after you turned twenty-six
- A male born before January 1, 1960
- A male who was in the United States between the ages of eighteen and twenty-six, but who did not register with the Selective Service and will submit a "Status Information Letter" from the Selective Service explaining why you did not register

Have you never deserted from the U.S. Armed Forces? Yes _____ No _____

Have you never received an exemption or discharge from the U.S. Armed Forces on the ground that you are an alien? Yes _____ No _____

Are you willing to perform military or civilian service for the United States, if required by law to do so? Yes _____ No _____

Will you support the U.S. Constitution? Yes _____ No _____

Can you understand and will you take an oath of allegiance to the United States?
Yes _____ No _____