

## Dear Parent,

Congratulations! Thank you for your inquiry about registering your child as a U.S. citizen.

The enclosed items contain information to help you apply for a Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA), which is considered a basic United States citizenship document. In addition, you should apply for a U.S. passport and a Social Security Number for your child.

Please complete the enclosed forms and bring them to the U.S. Embassy in Abu Dhabi any working day between the hours of 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm.

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## Required Forms (complete but do not sign!)

- Application for Consular Report of Birth Abroad DS-2029
- Passport Application DS-11 and 2 photos of the child. Photos must be 5 cm x 5 cm (square), in color with a white background.
- Social Security Application SS-5
- Affidavit of Parentage and Physical Presence (if only one parent is an American Citizen).

## Evidence of Parentage and Nationality

- Child's original UAE birth certificate (plus English translation, if needed) and 2 photocopies (please note that the UAE General Health Authority may require that the parents' marriage certificate be authenticated prior to issuance of a UAE birth certificate; for instructions on how to authenticate a U.S. document, please refer to the Embassy's website www.uae.usembassy.gov)
- Parents' passports and 2 photocopies of the biographic data pages
- Parents' marriage certificate (plus English translation, if needed) and 1 photocopy

## If one of these applies, you will need the following additional documentation

- There is only one American parent. Please submit evidence showing that parent was physically present in the United States (examples: original school transcripts, pay stubs from employer, or other documentation). The requirement to transmit your U.S. citizenship is a minimum of 5 years physical presence in the U.S., at least 2 of which were after the age of 14. No such evidence is required when both parents are U.S. citizens.
- **One or both parents were previously married.** Please submit evidence showing legal termination through death or divorce of all previous marriages. Provide original death or divorce certificates (plus English translation, if needed) and 1 photocopy of each.

Both parents and the child are required to appear in person at the Embassy between 1:00pm and 2:00pm.

Fees must be paid when the applications are submitted: 100 USD for the CRBA and 105 USD for the child's passport, for a total of 205 USD. In addition, there is a charge of 1 USD per copy if photocopies are not provided. This may be paid in U.S. dollars, the equivalent in dirhams, or by major credit card.

The Embassy advises that newborn children be registered within 3 months to allow time to obtain UAE residency, if needed. The process takes about 15 days.

Sincerely, Consular Section