



**Citizenship in Lithuania may be granted under a simplified procedure, applying naturalization conditions, and it may be returned or restored.** The most important issues to Lithuanians residing abroad are those relating to their children's citizenship, acquiring citizenship on the basis of marriage with a citizen of the Republic of Lithuania and double citizenship.

Lithuanian descendants returning to Lithuania can obtain Lithuanian citizenship under a simplified procedure. Those people who were citizens of the Republic of Lithuania prior to 15 June 1940 or the children or grandchildren of such individuals retain the right to restore the citizenship of the Republic of Lithuania. Citizenship of the Republic of Lithuania may also be returned to people who had citizenship before but are not among those who have retained the right to restoring it.