



Most often citizenship is acquired by birth. This principle is established in the Law on Citizenship as follows:

- A child both of whose parents at the moment of his or her birth were citizens of the Republic of Lithuania, shall be a citizen of the Republic of Lithuania regardless of whether they were born on the territory of the Republic of Lithuania, or beyond its borders. In some cases, the child may have two or more citizenships.
- A child at least one of whose parents was a citizen of the Republic of Lithuania but died before the child was born, shall be a citizen the Republic of Lithuania regardless of whether they were born on the territory of the Republic of Lithuania, or beyond its borders.
- A child, whose parents are people without citizenship and are permanent residents in Lithuania, shall acquire citizenship of the Republic of Lithuania regardless of whether they were born on the territory of the Republic of Lithuania, or beyond its borders, unless they acquired citizenship of another state by birth.
- A child one of whose parents at the moment of their birth was a person without citizenship and a permanent resident in Lithuania, and the other parent is unknown, is a citizen of the Republic of Lithuania regardless of whether they were born on the territory of the Republic of Lithuania, or beyond its borders, unless they acquired citizenship of another state by birth.

When a child is born it is necessary to notify the civil registry office of their birth. These functions in foreign countries are carried out by Local civil registry centers, and upon submitting a certificate of birth issued by them to a diplomatic mission of the Republic of Lithuania, the child's birth is registered. [Read more](#)

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