

Your relocation research, organised

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Illustrative example, not a customer assessment. No payment required to view.

Illustrative Ireland research plan

Research goal: second passport | Household: solo | Timing: year

Questions recorded for investigation

Which documents, application stages and costs should I confirm for my situation?

Your planning answers

Current residence: United States (illustrative). Application jurisdiction: not confirmed.

Additional citizenships: not supplied. Target month: not chosen; current stage: exploring.

Priorities: Application effort, Total cost.

Income evidence category: unknown; document preparation: some.

Family link: unknown; family records: unknown. No citizenship conclusion is inferred.

Your selected route

Ireland: Irish citizenship through Foreign Births Registration

Foreign Births Registration: EUR 278 adult or EUR 153 under 18, including return postage; passport and document costs are separate.

Original source check: 2026-10-29; review due 2026-11-05.

You chose these routes. This document organises public evidence and the questions still to resolve. It does not determine eligibility or include individual professional review.

Planning from the United States

Passport or nationality recorded: United States (illustrative). This does not determine eligibility.

Confirm the passport you will use, your lawful US residence and the consular office covering your US address. US residence does not establish US citizenship or visa eligibility.

Confirm the permitted activities for the route, including any work restrictions. Check each household member separately before relying on a residence permission.

Check background-record jurisdictions, document validity windows, apostilles, certified translations and each household member's documents before ordering them.

Ask a qualified adviser about US and destination-country tax filing, foreign-account reporting, healthcare and any applicable relief before committing.

IRS: US citizens and residents abroad

US citizens and resident aliens generally remain subject to US filing rules on worldwide income. Ask a qualified cross-border adviser which filing, reporting and relief rules apply to you.

<https://www.irs.gov/individuals/international-taxpayers/us-citizens-and-residents-abroad-filing-requirements>

US State Department: preparing documents for use abroad

Identify which documents need authentication or an apostille and which authority issues it. Confirm the destination authority's current checklist before ordering documents.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/replace-certify-docs/authenticate-your-document.html>

Ireland: Irish citizenship through Foreign Births Registration

Foreign Births Registration can establish Irish citizenship for qualifying people born abroad with an Irish-born grandparent or a parent who was Irish when they were born. A passport is a separate later application. A parent born in Ireland may instead establish existing citizenship; confirm the correct route before paying.

Published financial conditions

Foreign Births Registration: EUR 278 adult or EUR 153 under 18, including return postage; passport and document costs are separate.

These conditions are not a total application or relocation fee quote.

Documents and requirements to check

For an adult grandparent-based application, gather the witnessed form, civil birth certificate, name-change records if relevant, certified photo-ID copy, two original address proofs and four colour photos. The parent and Irish-born grandparent need civil birth/name-change records and certified photo ID or a death certificate. Use the separate minor or parent-citizenship checklist where appropriate.

Unresolved questions

Citizenship is acquired on entry in the Foreign Births Register, not by submitting the application. Family chronology matters: a parent whose Irish citizenship came through FBR must have held it before the child's birth for that transmission route. Witness qualifications, original documents and postage instructions must follow the issued form. No processing or citizenship outcome is guaranteed.

Official evidence and review dates

Internally checked by WhereCanIMove systems. Checked 2026-10-29; review due 2026-11-05. Generating this pack does not renew the check.

Ireland Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

<https://api.ireland.ie/en/dfa/citizenship/born-abroad/registering-a-foreign-birth/>

Full programme record and source locators

<https://wherecanimove.com/programme/ireland-citizenship-by-descent>

Ireland: your Foreign Births Registration preparation guide

Foreign Births Registration can establish Irish citizenship for qualifying people born abroad with an Irish-born grandparent or a parent who was Irish when they were born. A passport is a separate later application. A parent born in Ireland may instead establish existing citizenship; confirm the correct route before paying.

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Your document list by person

Primary applicant: Applicant identity and address

For the adult grandparent-based route: civil birth certificate with parents, relevant marriage/name-change record, witness-certified photo-ID copy and two separate original address proofs.

[Ireland Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade - Eligibility; Adult applicant applying on the basis of an Irish born Grandparent; Minor applicant; Photos; Witnesses; Fees; Apply online; Notes on application](#)

Primary applicant: Application, photos and witness

Complete and print the online form, arrange the eligible witness, and prepare four colour photos; two need witnessing. Use the minor checklist if applying for a child.

[Ireland Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade - Eligibility; Adult applicant applying on the basis of an Irish born Grandparent; Minor applicant; Photos; Witnesses; Fees; Apply online; Notes on application](#)

Applicant and relevant family line: Parent and grandparent civil records

Gather the relevant parent and Irish-born grandparent birth and name-change records, plus certified ID or death certificate. Other parent-citizenship bases use a different list.

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Before choosing

1. Distinguish existing citizenship from registration

A parent born in Ireland who was Irish at your birth may mean you are already a citizen. A grandparent or parent born abroad may require FBR. Check the official category and family dates before ordering records.

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Before applying

1. Build the family evidence chain

Match names and dates across your documents and the transmitting family line. Order the civil records required for your exact category; keep name changes and naturalisation/FBR dates visible.

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Application

1. Complete, witness and post the official application

Use the official online application, pay its current fee, then follow its printed witness and document-posting instructions. Keep your application reference and delivery evidence. Do not send a passport application in the same envelope.

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After approval

1. After registration, apply separately for a passport

The citizenship milestone is registration in the FBR. When your registration certificate arrives, check its details and use the official passport process. This stage does not require a move to Ireland.

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Longer term

1. Keep the citizenship timeline for future children

If transmission depends on your FBR registration, the date of registration relative to a future child's birth matters. Confirm that child's correct nationality route before making an application.

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Confirm before acting

This is a preparation guide, not an eligibility decision. Adoption, complex parentage, earlier generations and disputed records need the authority's case-specific advice.

Passport issuance, processing time and any future child's citizenship are separate from approval of your own FBR application.

Your action checklist

Before choosing

- ☐ Confirm the authority for your current residence before using a consulate-specific checklist.
- ☐ Your family link is recorded as unknown; family evidence is unknown. Build a dated citizenship and naturalisation timeline for each generation. A relative's birthplace alone does not establish eligibility.
- ☐ Cost is a priority: obtain separate government, translation, insurance and professional quotes; keep qualifying income/capital outside the spending subtotal.
- ☐ Distinguish existing citizenship from registration
- ☐ Confirm the passport you will use, your lawful US residence and the consular office covering your US address. US residence does not establish US citizenship or visa eligibility.
- ☐ Confirm the permitted activities for the route, including any work restrictions. Check each household member separately before relying on a residence permission.
- ☐ Check background-record jurisdictions, document validity windows, apostilles, certified translations and each household member's documents before ordering them.
- ☐ Ask a qualified adviser about US and destination-country tax filing, foreign-account reporting, healthcare and any applicable relief before committing.

Before applying

- ☐ Order only the documents on the selected authority checklist; confirm validity windows before paying for checks.
- ☐ Primary applicant: Applicant identity and address
- ☐ Primary applicant: Application, photos and witness
- ☐ Applicant and relevant family line: Parent and grandparent civil records
- ☐ Build the family evidence chain
- ☐ Confirm which documents and permissions apply to your household.
- ☐ Complete your budget worksheet using actual quotes. Unknown costs are not zero.

Application

- ☐ Complete, witness and post the official application

Before moving

- ☐ Ask a qualified adviser about tax residence, home-country obligations and healthcare before committing.

After approval

- ☐ After registration, apply separately for a passport

Longer term

- ☐ Keep the citizenship timeline for future children

Your budget worksheet

Your own researched amounts in one currency. Income or capital qualification thresholds are separate from money spent. Unknown items remain unknown; this is not a complete cost estimate.

Application and government fees: Unknown - obtain a quote

Professional advice: Unknown - obtain a quote

Documents and translations: Unknown - obtain a quote

Travel: Unknown - obtain a quote

Moving and shipping: Unknown - obtain a quote

Housing and deposits: Unknown - obtain a quote

Insurance and healthcare: Unknown - obtain a quote

Contingency: Unknown - obtain a quote

Scope, corrections and support

An automated research guide for the route or routes you chose, personalised to your recorded planning answers. No individual professional review or eligibility decision is included.

Official conditions can change. Each route keeps its original source and internal-check dates; generating this pack does not renew them.

Financial conditions are not a total fee quote. Published information and unanswered questions need confirmation before applying.

No application preparation, visa approval, citizenship, tax outcome or agency availability is promised.

Your saved checklist and budget are reflected at download time. The original route snapshot retains its evidence dates. Report a source error at <https://wherecanimove.com/corrections>. For order or refund help: jack@wherecanimove.com.