

Citizenship by descent – check list (4)

CATEGORY N. 4

Your **mother** was born in the United States or in a country other than Italy which considered her a citizen by birth “jure soli” (by the law of the soil), your maternal grandfather/grandmother was an Italian citizen at the time of your mother’s birth, you were born after January 1, 1948, and your mother did not renounce her Italian citizenship before your birth.

- 1) **FORM 1** and **FORM 2** (to be signed in front of the Consular Officer in Los Angeles or have your signature Notarized);
- 2) **FORM 3** if your mother is alive (to be signed by her in front of the Consular Officer in Los Angeles or have her signature Notarized);
- 3) **FORM 4** if your mother is deceased (to be signed by the applicant in front of the Consular Officer in Los Angeles or have your signature Notarized);
- 4) **VALID PASSPORT** (plus copy);
- 5) **VALID DRIVER’S LICENSE** or **STATE ID** issued by California, Arizona, Nevada or New Mexico;
- 6) **PROOF OF RESIDENCY** (utility bill: electricity, water gas or landline bill);
- 7) **YOUR BIRTH CERTIFICATE** (in "full form" or "long form") **TRANSLATED** into Italian (only the certificate) with an "APOSTILLE” (from the Secretary of State of the State in which it was issued);
- 8) **YOUR MATERNAL GRANDFATHER’S AND GRANDMOTHER’S BIRTH CERTIFICATE**;
- 9) **YOUR GRANDPARENTS’ MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE** **TRANSLATED** into Italian (only the certificate) with an "APOSTILLE” (from the Secretary of State of the State in which it was issued); **if** the marriage took place in Italy, follow the procedure above. **If** it took place in Nevada or New Mexico., you must obtain also the **Marriage license** with Apostille and translation;
- 10) **YOUR FATHER’S AND MOTHER’S BIRTH CERTIFICATE** (**TRANSLATED** into Italian (only the certificate) with an "APOSTILLE” (from the Secretary of State of the State in which it was issued);
- 11) **YOUR PARENTS’ MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE** **TRANSLATED** into Italian (only the certificate) with an "APOSTILLE” (from the Secretary of State of the State in which it was issued); **if** the marriage took place in Italy, follow the procedure above. **If** it took place in Nevada or New Mexico., you must obtain also the **Marriage license** with Apostille and translation;
- 12) **YOUR MOTHER’S AND GRANDFATHER’S/GRANDMOTHER’S DEATH CERTIFICATE** (no translation nor Apostille are required).
- 13) **YOUR GRANDFATHER’S/GRANDMOTHER’S CERTIFICATE NATURALIZATION:** (no translation is required):
 - A) **DECLARATION OF INTENTION/PETITION FOR NATURALIZATION** (certified copy) issued by the National Archive (www.archives.gov) (no translation is required);

B) NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATE (no translation is required);

13.bis) IF YOUR GRANDFATHER'S/GRANDMOTHER'S NEVER NATURALIZED US CITIZEN, PLEASE PROVIDE:

A) ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF NONEXISTENCE OF RECORDS issued by the the U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services (www.uscis.gov) (no translation is required)

B) CERTIFIED COPY OF THE CENSUS first available immediately after the birth in the US of the direct descent (www.census.org) (no translation is required)

N.B.: If the document are issued by the Italian authorities you do not need an Apostille nor the translation.

Please note: before 1948, children of Italian parents could claim Italian citizenship **ONLY** through their father.