

CITIZENSHIP OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

The following persons shall be citizens of the Republic of Lithuania:

- 1) persons who held citizenship of the Republic of Lithuania prior to 15 June 1940, their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren (provided that the persons, their children, grandchildren or great-grandchildren did not repatriate);
- 2) persons who permanently resided in the present-day territory of the Republic of Lithuania in the period from 9 January 1919 to 15 June 1940, as well as their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, provided that on the day of coming into force of the Law on Citizenship they were and at the present time permanently reside in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania and are not citizens of any other state;
- 3) persons of Lithuanian descent if they are not citizens of any other state. A person whose parents or grandparents or one of the parents or grandparents is or was Lithuanian and the person considers himself Lithuanian shall be considered as being a person of Lithuanian descent;
- 4) persons who acquired citizenship of the Republic of Lithuania prior to 4 November 1991 under the Law on Citizenship adopted on 3 November 1989;
- 5) other persons who have acquired citizenship of the Republic of Lithuania under the Law on Citizenship adopted on 5 December 1991.

Together with:

- filled application form to reestablish Lithuanian citizenship;
- filled application form to be issued Lithuanian passport;
- 3 passport size photographs*

applicants for Lithuanian citizenship have to submit Lithuanian Authorities the following documents:

- the copy of his/her Canadian passport;
- statement of live birth;
- marriage certificate (or certificate of divorce if applicable);
- certificates of birth of children under 16;
- document(-s) proving his, or her parents, grand parents former Lithuanian citizenship before June 15, 1940.

These documents may be :

- surviving national or foreign passports of the Republic of Lithuania issued prior to June 15, 1940;
- foreign passports of the Republic of Lithuania issued by diplomatic representations or consular offices after June 15, 1940;
- documents proving service in the Lithuanian army or state institutions in Lithuania before June 15, 1940;
- certificates of birth or other documents directly indicating persons former Lithuanian citizenship;

In case the aforementioned documents are absent, the following may be presented:

- documents proving studies, employment, residence in Lithuania;
- sworn affidavit certified by a Notary Public or an of a diplomatic representation or a consular officer of the Republic of Lithuania;
- affidavits, certified by a Notary Public, of three citizens of the Republic of Lithuania having been Lithuanian citizens before June 15, 1940 certifying that a particular person has been a citizen of the Republic of Lithuania until June 15, 1940;
- certified copy of a foreign passport and other documents;

N.B. Authenticity of all copies and translations of the documents presented must be certified at Lithuanian diplomatic representation (130 Albert Street, Suite 204, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5G4, tel.(613) 567 54 58) or by a Notary Public.

* The photos are required to be printed on mat photo-paper from a single negative, preferably black and white.