



# Métis Nation British Columbia Citizenship Required Documents Applicants 14 years of age & under **Please read carefully**

1. Provide a copy of your *family information birth certificate, formerly called a long form birth certificate*. This document contains name, date, gender, registration date and number, parent's names and birth place.
2. Provide *a family information birth certificate* for each subsequent generation that you are establishing your Métis ancestry on going back to at least 1901 or earlier. I.e.: parent and grandparent

*If you do not have your family information birth certificate it can be obtained from the department of vital statistics in the province in which you were born.*

*Or -*

*An acceptable alternative, if applicable, is your baptismal or christening record. This may be obtained from the church where the baptism or christening occurred or from the archdiocese of the church.*

3. A copy of your genealogy *using the 5-generation pedigree chart provided with the application package. A pedigree chart must be filled out and submitted for each applicant*. Include as much information as possible, i.e. birth dates, birthplaces, marriage dates and places, death dates and places. Without these specific details the Central Registry may not be able to verify your genealogy. Always use maiden names for women when completing the chart.
4. If you are a member of a local chartered British Columbia Métis community, please include a copy of your card, or your community membership number. Please contact your regional registry clerk for a list of chartered communities, or view it online at [www.mnbc.ca](http://www.mnbc.ca) If you do not yet have this community membership, you may still proceed with your initial application with MNBC.
6. Sign, date & include BC residential address on the Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC), *formerly INAC*, screening form. The following is a list of acceptable identification as per Aboriginal Affairs & Northern Development Canada (AANDC):

*Please note that even though 15 years is considered an adult for the purposes of the MNBC citizenship card, the legal age of consent is 19 years in BC. For applicants 18 yrs of age and under their Indian Register screening form must be signed by their parent or legal guardian. The following is a list of acceptable identification as per AANDC:*

*Male & female applicants must include one of the following clearly copied identification:*

- Long Form Birth certificate*
- BC Identification card, copy of front and back of document required.*

*AND the following form of identification for their parent or legal guardian, clearly copied front and back:*

- Birth certificate*

*AND one of the following forms of identification for their parent or legal guardian, clearly Copied front and back:*

- BC driver's license*
- BC identification card*

*\* Please note applicant's are required to contact the appropriate Registry Clerk to obtain an Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) screening form as a supplement to this application. The AANDC form is a duplicate-style form and MNBC is unable to provide it online. Contact information for the Registry Clerks is located on the last page of this document.*

*\* All copies of identification must be 100% clear and legible or AANDC will reject the form.*

*\* Applicants are responsible for providing this identification, copied and attached to the AANDC form at the time the application is submitted; Registry staff can no longer copy this from applicant files.*

Recent changes in Vital Statistics legislation in a number of Canadian provinces may affect the eligibility of individuals requesting documents for a deceased parent and or grandparent. Due to these changes the Central Registry recommends contacting the appropriate provincial Vital Statistics agency for the most accurate and current information regarding eligibility to access documents.

An alternative is to use a recognized third party agency such as Canadian Vital Certificates at [www.vitalcertificates.ca](http://www.vitalcertificates.ca). The site is available for use by the general public; contains detailed information on obtaining vital certificates for each province in Canada, including who is eligible to apply for the required documents.

**Please note the following important information regarding the application process and Citizenship card distribution:**

- 1) Additional documentation may be requested to support your application. Registry staff will assist where possible although it is the responsibility of the applicant to supply the information required to confirm Métis ancestry. Do not send original documents, please make copies of the documentation for your records prior to forwarding the application for processing.
- 2) The Central Registry is not responsible for information, including application packages or Citizenship cards, damaged, lost or stolen in the mail.
- 3) It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure the contact information on the file is updated and accurate should they move during the application process.

**Please read carefully if you are submitting an application and a family member has indicated they hold a Métis Nation British Columbia Citizenship card.**

- 1) Please confirm using the card examples on the next page, which card the family member holds, MNBC cards are a hard card like a bank card where as membership cards are a soft laminated card.
- 2) If you have confirmed a family member holds a MNBC Citizenship card please indicate in the space provided on the main page of the application form and include their name and relationship to you i.e.: sibling, parent, grandparent etc.
- 3) Applicants of card holding family members are required to submit:
  - An application package, including the items listed on the previous page
  - A copy of their family information birth certificate or the acceptable alternative
  - A copy of the family information birth certificate or the acceptable alternative for each generation required to connect them to the family member who holds the MNBC Citizenship card

## Métis Nation British Columbia Citizenship Card

Photograph	MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA	METISBC
	CITIZENSHIP & I.D. CARD	
First_Name & '' & Second_Name & '' & Last_Name		
ADDRESS: 1234 Penfield Rd, Campbell River BC X9X OX1		
REGION: THOMPSON / OKANAGAN		
GENDER: FEMALE		
Elegi Opatusee CITIZEN SIGNATURE:		<i>Elegi Opatusee</i> MNBC PRESIDENT
AUGUST 22, 1968 BIRTH DATE:		

The individual whose name appears on this card is a CITIZEN of the MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA as per the "MNBC CITIZENSHIP ACT"

The Canadian Constitution Act, 1982 provides:

35. (1) The existing aboriginal and treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada are hereby recognized and affirmed.

(2) in this Act, "aboriginal peoples of Canada" includes Indian, Inuit, and Métis peoples of Canada.

THIS CARD IS THE PROPERTY OF THE MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA. The Bearer of this Card shall uphold the Constitution of the Métis Nation British Columbia.

CITIZENSHIP ID NUMBER

ISSUE DATE: 16-06-2009  
EXPIRY DATE: 16-06-2009

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## Commonly Issued Membership Card

 MÉTIS NATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA LES NATION DU MÉTIS DE COLUMBIE BRITANNIQUE	
CERTIFICATE OF ABORIGINAL STATUS - CERTIFICAT DE STATUT ABORIGÈNE	
This is to certify that - La présente atteste que	
Family Name - Nom de Famille _____	
Given Name - Prénoms _____	
Registration Number - Nombre de Registre _____	
<small>is an Aboriginal Person as defined in the Constitution Act(1982) Section 35(2) and the Indian Act Canada and is entitled to inherent rights and privileges</small>	<small>est une personne des Aborigènes et entitler des droits et libertés de la Constitution Act(1982) Section 35(2) et Les Indienne Act Canada</small>

Please direct all inquiries regarding requests for application and assistance with the application process to the appropriate Registry Clerk.

To prevent delays in processing please submit application packages to the appropriate Registry Clerk.

**Residents of:**  
**Vancouver Island**  
**Lower Mainland**  
**Kootenays**

**Residents of:**  
**North West Region**  
**North Central Region**  
**North East Region**  
**Thompson/Okanagan**

**Please submit citizenship applications to:**

**Angel Fisher**  
**West Coast Registry Clerk**  
 30691 Simpson Rd.  
 Abbotsford, BC  
 V2T 6C7  
 Toll free: 1-800-940-1150  
 Email: [afisher@mnbcregistry.ca](mailto:afisher@mnbcregistry.ca)

**Please submit citizenship applications to:**

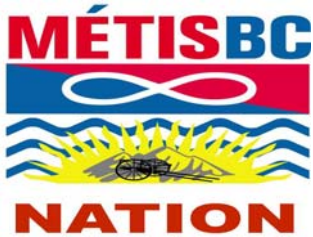
**Audrey Prevost**  
**Northern BC Registry Clerk**  
 200 – 513 Ahbau Street  
 Prince George, BC  
 V2M 3R8  
 Telephone: (250) 961-1181  
 Fax: (250) 561-2790  
 Email: [aprevost@mnbcregistry.ca](mailto:aprevost@mnbcregistry.ca)



Office of the Provincial Registrar  
 30691 Simpson Rd.  
 Abbotsford, BC V2T 6C7  
 Toll free: 1-800-940-1150  
 www.mnbc.ca

### Youth (14 years or younger) Métis Citizenship Application

<b>Legal Name</b> of Applicant: First						Middle			Last		
Address:		Apt#	Street		City		Province		Postal Code		
Phone (     )											
Does your family member have a Métis Nation British Columbia citizenship card? Yes ___ No ___											
If yes, please provide their name _____						Relationship _____					
Are you a Canadian Citizen?								Yes ___ No ___			
Birth Date <b>(dd/mm/yyyy)</b>				Place of Birth (City and Province)					Gender		
Legal Name of Applicant's Father's						Applicant's Mother's full name <small>(please use maiden name)</small>					
Applicant's Father's birth date <b>(dd/mm/yyyy)</b>						Applicant's Mother's birth date <b>(dd/mm/yyyy)</b>					
Applicant's Father's place of birth (city and province)						Applicant's Mother's place of birth (city and province)					
<b>Oath of Citizenship</b>											
<p>I, _____ here by apply for permanent citizenship in the Métis Nation British Columbia,  <small>(applicant's name)</small></p> <p>and here by swear I do not hold Indian Status, Treaty Status or Bill C31. Further, should I be granted citizenship with the Métis Nation British Columbia, I will respect, and will abide by, all the rules and bylaws of the Métis Nation British Columbia.</p> <p><b>Signature of Parent or Guardian:</b> <b>X</b> _____</p>											
<b>For Office use only</b>											
MNBC Card Number:						Issue Date:					
Region:						Name of Issuer:					



**CONSENT TO RELEASE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**  
*(THIS FORM IS MANDATORY)*

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

I understand the contents of my Métis Nation BC (MNBC) Citizenship application are confidential. All personal information is protected by the Personal Information and Privacy Act (PIPA) and may not be released to any individual, body or organization without my written consent.

I hereby authorize the MNBC Registry to store in hard and/or electronic copy the following contents of my MNBC Citizenship application file:

- Individual Citizenship Application form;
- Consent to Release Confidential Information form;
- 5- Generation Pedigree Chart;
- Supporting genealogical documentation;
- Photograph;
- Signature;
- Correspondence pertaining to my application(s);
- Application Checklist;
- Contact Log.

I hereby authorize the MNBC Registry to use my 5-Generation Pedigree Chart and supporting genealogical documentation to assist with compiling genealogical charts for other members of my biological family.

I hereby authorize the MNBC Registry to use the information contained in my MNBC Citizenship necessary in the preparation of Voters Lists for the following:

- MNBC Annual General Meetings (AGM);
- Métis Women's Secretariat British Columbia
- British Columbia United Métis Youth Circle

I hereby authorize the MNBC to use the supporting genealogical documentation to assist with research and publications documenting the history of the Métis.

I hereby authorize the MNBC Registry to contact the chartered Métis community in the Region I reside in for the purpose for verification of Métis community membership.

I understand all information in regard to my application for MNBC citizenship will be retained by the MNBC unless I provide written instructions with my signature to destroy and/or return all information I have submitted.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Witness**



**MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
**CONSENT TO CONTRIBUTE PERSONAL INFORMATION**  
**AND HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS**  
*(THIS FORM IS NOT MANDATORY)*

**Personal Information**

Personal information is information that identifies you as an individual. It includes not only your name and address, age and gender, but also your personal financial records, identification numbers which include your social insurance number (SIN), personal references, birth and other personal archival records, records concerning your ancestry, present and past residences and your education, medical and employment records.

**Information That You Consent To Release by Signing This Form**

The information referred to in this consent form are those personal archival records and records concerning your ancestry specifically; if you sign this form these records will be contributed to the MNBC Historical Documents Database, and thus made available to authorized researchers, authorized staff, and authorized citizens of the MNBC. *This consent form does not relate to contemporary personal records; by signing this form you **DO NOT** consent to release information about your birth certificate, current address, personal financial records, or identification numbers.*

**Purpose for the Disclosure of Personal Information**

The MNBC will be using and sharing your information, to the extent necessary, towards historical research in relation to contemporary and historical Métis communities, traditions, and customs. The MNBC has developed a database of historical information concerning the Métis people in British Columbia. Your information will be added to this database to be used as required for the preparation of one or more historical reports authorized by the MNBC. These reports may or may not specifically identify you and may be distributed to others such as Provincial and Federal government departments, tribunals, courts, administrative bodies, the media, Métis communities, Provincial and Federal Métis organizations, and/or the public at large.

The use of your personal information for these purposes is self-evident and should be clear. However, if you have any questions about the purpose of the personal information and how it will be used, please call the MNBC head office and ask.

In addition to the purposes set forth above, your personal information may be used as follows:

- ∞ To trace your ancestry.
- ∞ To research and record personal information as necessary for the exercise and preservation of cultural practices and traditional lore.
- ∞ for use in a public report concerning contemporary or historical communities and traditional Métis customs and practices for use as necessary in Court proceedings,
- ∞ administrative matters and hearings, and such other purposes and uses as may be required and deemed useful in advancing the cause of Métis Citizens, proving and/or;
- ∞ Upholding Métis rights and entitlement and/or publicizing Métis issues.

### **Sharing your Personal Information**

If you consent to the use of your Personal Information as stated above, it will be shared, to the extent permitted by law, within the MNBC and/or its successors, its Chartered Métis Communities, its managers, genealogy research department, authorized researchers, and, where deemed necessary, publicly.

### **Third Party Information**

The information that you provide to us may include the Personal Information of third persons. In many cases, the information you provide may be shared with others as stated above. However, certain information, such as financial, medical, educational or criminal records, will not be shared with other parties unless required by law or if the release of that information is consented to by that third person.

### **Storage of Personal Information**

Your Personal Information will be stored in hard copy and as computer data at the MNBC head office and with authorized researchers as designated by the MNBC.

### **Privacy Officer**

The MNBC and the Authorized Researcher shall designate a Privacy Officer to receive and deal with any and all enquiries, questions, complaints, or suggestions from persons whose personal information is or has been collected by the MNBC. The name and access information for the Privacy Officer will be available by contacting the MNBC head office or through the MNBC website at <http://www.mnbc.ca>

I \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_ here by confirm my  
*(please print name)* *(please print city of residence)*  
consent to the collection and use of my personal information as stated herein.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Metis Nation BC  
Central Registry  
5 Generation Pedigree Chart**

**Fill in chart as completely as you can, with as much info as possible. Use maiden name for females. Please indicate clearly which line your Métis ancestry is on.**



**1**  
Your name, maiden name if female  
b  
w  
m  
w

**2**  
Your Father's Name  
b  
w  
m  
w  
d  
w

**3**  
Your Mother's (maiden) name  
b  
w  
d  
w

**4**  
Grandfather's Name  
b  
w  
m  
w  
d  
w

**5**  
G-mother's (maiden) name  
b  
w  
d  
w

**6**  
Grandfather's Name  
b  
w  
m  
w  
d  
w

**7**  
G-mother's (maiden) name  
b  
w  
d  
w

**8**  
Great G-father's name  
b  
m  
d  
w

**9**  
Great G-Mother's (maiden) name  
b  
d

**10**  
Great G-father's name  
b  
m  
d  
w

**11**  
Great G-Mother's (maiden) name  
b  
d

**12**  
Great G-father's name  
b  
m  
d  
w

**13**  
Great G-Mother's (maiden) name  
b  
d

**14**  
Great G-father's name  
b  
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**15**  
Great G-Mother's (maiden) name  
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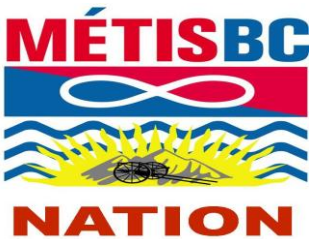
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**Legend:**  
b=date of Birth  
w=where  
m=date of Marriage  
w=where  
d=date of Death  
w=where



## MNBC Citizenship Application Check List Children 14 yrs & Under

- Family information birth certificate or baptismal record for applicant.
- Family information birth certificates or baptismal records for each Metis generation going back to at least the year 1901.
- Completed five generation pedigree chart that is supplied with the application package. *Please do not use alternative style pedigree charts. If you have a summary report from a researcher, you must transcribe the information onto the pedigree chart provided with the application package.*
- Signed, dated & witnessed “Consent to Release” form. *Please note this form is mandatory.*
- Signed & dated “Historical Consent to Release” form. *Please sign this form if you would like to contribute to the MNBC Historical Document database. Please note this is optional.*
- Signed, dated and addressed 2-part Indian Register Screening form with correct identification attached. *If you do not have this form you can obtain it from the Regional Registry Clerk in your region.*
- A copy of your local chartered community membership card if you currently have one.

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