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## Renunciation of Indian Citizenship

**I am a student and my driver's license is not from the state that I am now currently studying / residing. What other kinds of proof of address can I submit?**

A copy of your student ID and a letter from your school confirming that you are currently enrolled, the address that the school has on record of your dormitory or apartment, on official letterhead and with a signature from an authorized representative from the admissions office or student services department.

**Do I need to complete a separate application for a Renunciation Certificate if I am also applying for a Visa?**

No, you can apply simultaneously. Answer the questions displayed on the widget which will give you the requirements for **Visa**. You can complete the processing of your application online where you will also get the requirements for Renunciation. For details, please visit:

Visa	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/visa">www.in.ckgs.us/visa</a>
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**How do I renounce my Indian Citizenship?**

Answer the questions displayed on the widget which will give you the requirements for Renunciation. You can complete the full application process online and then submit your application as per the selected mode. For details, please visit:

Renunciation	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/renunciation">www.in.ckgs.us/renunciation</a>
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**Do I need to renounce my Indian Citizenship?**

All former Indian Nationals who have become naturalized **US / Non US** Citizens will have to renounce their Indian Citizenship. Instructions on the renunciation process can be found on the [Renunciation page](#).

**Can I send my renunciation forms to you along with my visa application?**

Yes. Answer the questions displayed on the widget which will give you the requirements for VISA. Continue the process on the website where you will be able to complete the Renunciation flow and get the requirements, fees and document checklist. You can complete your full application process online. For details, please visit:

Visa	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/visa">www.in.ckgs.us/visa</a>
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### **What if I do not have my Indian Passport?**

You may still formally renounce your Indian citizenship even if you have lost your Indian passport. Answer the questions displayed on the widget which will give you the full requirements for Renunciation including document checklist, fees and processing time. You can complete your full application process online and then submit your application as per the selected mode. For details, please visit:

Renunciation	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/renunciation">www.in.ckgs.us/renunciation</a>
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### **Can I apply for Visa and Renunciation together?**

Yes, you can apply for both together. Answer the questions displayed on the widget which will give you the requirements for VISA. Continue the process on the website where you will be able to complete the Renunciation flow and get the requirements, fees and document checklist. You can complete your full application process online.

Do not worry if some documents seem like duplicates as there could be different departments dealing with VISA and Renunciation. For details, please visit:

Visa	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/visa">www.in.ckgs.us/visa</a>
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### **Can I apply for OCI and Renunciation together?**

Yes, you may. Answer the questions displayed on the widget which will give you the full requirements for Renunciation including document checklist, fees and charges, processing time, jurisdiction. You can complete your full application process online and then submit your application as per the selected mode. For details, please visit:

OCI	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/oci">www.in.ckgs.us/oci</a>
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#### **Please Note:**

Applicants applying from San Francisco / New York Jurisdiction cannot apply for OCI and Renunciation together. They first need to apply for Renunciation Certificate. After receiving their Renunciation Certificate or Deemed Surrender Certificate only then they can apply for OCI application.

### **Is Naturalization certificate necessary for the Renunciation?**

Yes. It is issued by the **US / Non US** state authority in the process of obtaining **US / Non US** passport.

### **If I apply for OCI and Renunciation together, can I collect my renunciation certificate once it is ready or I need to wait for the OCI to be ready?**

Yes, you may collect the renunciation certificate, once the status is shown as ready for collection. You will have to arrange for 2 return shipping envelopes - click on <https://www.in.ckgs.us/shipping> to order the same.

### **Is it necessary to carry the Certificate of Renunciation of Indian Citizenship during travel to India?**

No, it is not necessary for travelers to carry **Certificate of Renunciation of Indian Citizenship** during their travel to India.

### **Can I still hold my Indian passport after acquiring Foreign Citizenship?**

The Indian Citizenship Act, 1955, does **NOT** allow **dual citizenship**.

Holding an Indian passport **or** acquiring an Indian passport **or** travelling on an Indian passport after acquisition of foreign citizenship constitutes an offence under the Indian Passport Act, 1967 and attracts penalties.

Person whose previous nationality was Indian before acquiring any foreign nationality, are required to surrender their Indian passports to the nearest Indian Mission/Post immediately after acquisition of foreign citizenship and obtain a surrender certificate.

Please click on the URL given below. Simply fill in the questions and you will get all the information of the visa / category including **jurisdiction**, fees, document, checklist, forms, etc.

Renunciation	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/renunciation">www.in.ckgs.us/renunciation</a>
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### **I have received my Renunciation Certificate and there is an error in the spelling of my name.**

In the highly unlikely event that any particulars have been printed incorrectly, spelling mistakes in your name, a wrong photo has been pasted, or a signature is missing on your Renunciation Certificate, CKGS will assist you in getting the same corrected. You will be required to send your **Consular document** that needs correction to the CKGS application center where you applied for originally, along with a letter, clearly stating the error/incorrectly printed information. You will also be required to send the correct document as a proof for verification or the correct photos in case of a wrong photo being pasted. There will be **NO** service fee or Consular fees payable for this correction. However, the cost of Return courier will have to be borne by the applicant. Please allow adequate time for the Mission to make the changes.

## **What if I do not appear on the given appointment date?**

If you do not appear on the given appointment date, your application will be put on Hold and Applicant No Show fee will be levied in addition to total application fees.

### **Please Note:**

Confirmed bookings are subject to a 48-hours cancellation/rescheduling policy, which means that rescheduling or cancellation of confirmed appointment is allowed only up to 48 hours prior to your initial scheduled appointment date. No alteration can be made once the 48 hour window has passed and Applicant No Show fees will be levied in addition to total application fees if you do not appear on the given appointment date.

## **Can I cancel my appointment?**

If you do not appear on the given appointment date, your application will be put on Hold and Applicant No Show fee will be levied in addition to total application fees.

### **Please Note:**

Confirmed bookings are subject to a 48-hours cancellation/rescheduling policy, which means that rescheduling or cancellation of confirmed appointment is allowed only up to 48 hours prior to your initial scheduled appointment date. No alteration can be made once the 48 hour window has passed and Applicant No Show fees will be levied in addition to total application fees if you do not appear on the given appointment date.

Appointments can be cancelled only up to 48 hours prior to the scheduled appointment date through the [Cancel appointment link](#).

## **Can I apply for OCI and Visa together?**

You can apply for each separately and send both as separate applications. There are different processing time lines for both services. For details, please visit:

Visa	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/visa">www.in.ckgs.us/visa</a>
OCI	<a href="http://www.in.ckgs.us/oci/index.shtml">www.in.ckgs.us/oci/index.shtml</a>

## **Naturalization Certificate**

### **Is it illegal to photocopy Naturalization certificate?**

One can photocopy a Naturalization Certificate for lawful purposes such as for proving proof of US citizenship to a foreign consular officer to obtain a visa or a lifelong visa such as an OCI for travel to India. You should not photocopy for unlawful purposes such as for misrepresentation or for fraud etc.

## What is the process to be followed if notarization of copy of Naturalization is not possible?

If notarization of a Naturalization Certificate is not possible, then applicant must note the following:

- When you require a Certificate of Naturalization to be authenticated, be sure to use the term ‘**Certified True Copy**’.
- Make an appointment with your local USCIS office by using the **InfoPass Appointment Scheduler** on [infopass.uscis.gov/](https://infopass.uscis.gov/).
- When you go for your appointment to your local USCIS office, be sure to take your **Original Naturalization Certificate** and a **copy** of it.
- Also take another form of **photo identification**, such as a **Driver’s license** or **Passport**.
- A USCIS officer will review the documents and may certify the copy, if the officer can confirm your identity and status as a naturalized citizen.

This information has been procured from <https://www.uscis.gov/tools/how-do-i-customer-guides/how-do-i-guides-us-citizens/how-do-i-obtain-certified-true-copies-certificate-naturalization>.

## Applying from CAMP

### Can I cancel my visa/OCI/renunciation application?

**Yes.** You can cancel your visa/OCI/renunciation application as per your requirement. However, in case of cancellation of application, **CKGS service fees** and **convenience fees** will **not be refunded**.

### Can I apply for walk-in to collect my documents from CKGS?

**No.** For all camp services return shipping is ‘**Mandatory**’. Thus, applicant can select only shipping option under the question “**How would you like your proceed application returned?**”

## Contact list of FRRO

### Contact list for Foreigner Regional Registration Offices (FRRO)

For an updated Contact List of FRRO, please [click here](#)