

## Granting citizenship of Georgia through an exceptive rule

**In order to apply for granting citizenship of Georgia through an exceptive rule the following documents must be presented at the Consulate:**

- An [application](#) form addressed to the Georgian President (It is important to note that all questions on the application must be fully answered);
- Copy of a birth certificate (if the applicant was born in Georgia). If an applicant was born abroad, a birth certificate translated into a Georgian language (certified by a notary office) and certified by an apostille.
- Copy of a Georgian passport (if applicable);
- Copy of a foreign passport;
- In case of change of name or surname, translated copy of a foreign passport (certified by a notary office within the country of residence);
- If an applicant's name or surname has legally changed, a copy of the marriage certificate or document on the basis of which the name or surname was changed must be submitted, translated, and apostilled by a relevant U.S. institution. If a marriage certificate does not show name or surname change, the appropriate agencies must provide proof of name or surname change. The document of proof must be translated into Georgian and apostilled.  
If a change of name or surname has taken place in an applicant's foreign passport, a certified copy by the notary office of the receiving country is mandatory;
- 2 passport size photos (3x4 cm);
- Georgian [pledge](#) of citizenship;
- Two [recommendations](#). The recommenders must be Georgian citizens and they must present proof of Georgia citizenship by providing copies of valid passports or identity cards.
- If the applicant is a minor, parental consent is mandatory. A letter of consent may be completed at the Consulate if parents of the minor are able to appear in person. If parents are not able to visit the Consulate in person, they may have the letter of consent completed and apostilled by a local notary office.
- The Consulate must receive a letter from the applicant stating a request for granting citizenship of Georgia through an exceptive rule. The Consulate will aid the applicant with the granting citizenship of Georgia through an exceptive rule process.

After the SSDA database uploads the applicant's documents, each applicant will receive a registration number and code. The Consulate will notify the applicant once a registration number and code are generated and released. Once the case number and code are presented to the applicant, the applicant must pay a fee of 250 Georgian Lari to the House of Justice at the Liberty Bank located in Tbilisi, Georgia.

The documents mentioned above can be delivered in person or mailed to the Consulate.

**Please take into consideration the following information:**

1. The application form for granting citizenship of Georgia through an exceptive rule and attached documents must be submitted in Georgian. Documents submitted in a foreign language must be notarized or accompanied by a certified Georgian translation.
2. Documents issued in a foreign state must be *submitted* in a *hard copy* format. All foreign documents presented at the Consulate must be apostilled unless otherwise requested by a Georgian international treaty or agreement.