

Declaration regarding the Name of a Minor Child

(Sections 1617, 1617a, 1617b, 1617c, 1617d, 1617e, 1617f, 1617g and 1617h German Civil Code (BGB), Article 10 (3) Introductory Act to the German Civil Code (EGBGB))

Notice about Jurisdiction

If the birth of the child has not been registered in a German birth register, the registrar's office having jurisdiction over the child's or either parent's current or last residence or habitual residence is responsible for the effective receipt of the name declaration.

Registrar's Office I in Berlin has jurisdiction only if neither the child nor either parent has ever resided in Germany. A previous residence in Germany, even many years ago (including as a child), also establishes the jurisdiction of the registrar's office responsible for that former place of residence.

Mother/Parent 1

Surname, surname at birth, first and middle names, date of birth (DD.MM.YYYY), place of birth (city, country), mailing address, citizenship(s), email

Have you previously resided in Germany?

☐ no, I have never resided in Germany (not even as a child)

☐ yes: (last) address in Germany:

Civil status of the mother/parent 1 on the date of birth of the child whose name is to be determined:

☐ *single* ☐ *married* ☐ *living in a civil partnership* ☐ *divorced* ☐ *widowed*

☐ *civil partnership dissolved* ☐ *civil partnership terminated upon death* ☐

Total number of marriages/civil partnerships: ☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 or more

Father/Parent 2

Surname, surname at birth, first and middle names, date of birth (DD.MM.YYYY), place of birth (city, country), mailing address, citizenship(s), email

Have you previously resided in Germany?

☐ no, I have never resided in Germany (not even as a child)

☐ yes: (last) address in Germany:

☐ The parents were married/entered into a civil partnership

on _____ date (DD.MM.YYYY)

in _____ place (city, country)

Child whose name is to be determined by this declaration

Previous full name (surname, first and middle names), date of birth (DD.MM.YYYY), place of birth (city, country), place of residence

(If additional children are to be included, please use a separate declaration form for each child.)

Was the child adopted or born through surrogacy?

☐ no ☐ yes, the child is adopted ☐ yes, the child was born through surrogacy

☐ Further children of these parents (including adult children) whose names have already been determined or whose names are not to be determined by this declaration

Surname, first and middle names, date of birth (DD.MM.YYYY), and place of birth (city, country):

☐ These parents have no other children (including adult children)

Legal guardian(s) on the date of birth of the child:

☐ both parents ☐ mother/parent 1 ☐ father/parent 2

Habitual residence of the child on the date of birth in:

Legal basis for the declaration (multiple legal bases are possible)

☐ **Erstbestimmung**

Initial determination of the surname (Secs. 1617, 1617b, 1617e, 1617f, 1617g, 1617h German Civil Code (BGB))

☐ **Neubestimmung**

Subsequent determination of the surname (Secs. 1617d, 1617f, 1617g, 1617h German Civil Code (BGB))

☐ **Rechtswahl**

Choice of law (Article 10, (3) Introductory Act to Civil Code (EGBGB))

☐ **Namenserteilung**

Determination of the child's name (Secs. 1617a German Civil Code (BGB))

☐ **Erstreckung**

Extension of the parents' married name to the child (Sec. 1617c German Civil Code (BGB))

☐ _____

Declaration ¹

☐ *We, as joint legal guardians, determine the following name for the child (please enter below)*

☐ *I, as sole legal guardian, determine the following name for the child (please enter below)*

Name governed by the law of (country): _____

Surname: ☐ _____

(for a double surname, please indicate whether it is to be used with or without a hyphen)

First names if applicable: ☐ _____

Further names, if applicable: ☐ _____

We/I are/am aware that this determination of the child's name may have binding effect for our/my other children.

Involvement of the child:

The child who has reached the age of 14 adopts the aforementioned name selection by handwritten signature/consents to the name declaration.

We/I, as legal representative(s) agree to the child's declaration to adopt/declaration of consent the name selection.

For a child who has reached five years of age but is not yet 14 years, we, as legal representatives, declare that the child adopts the aforementioned name selection and/or consents to the name declaration.

¹ If the child has reached the age of 14 years, the child's participation is also required.

I/We am/are aware that the child's name can only be proven by certification which is subject to a fee.

I/We request the issuance of _____ (no.)
fee-based certificate(s) confirming the effectiveness of the name declaration (where applicable, for each child).

☐ I/We request to pay the fee by e-payment, if possible, otherwise by wire transfer

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Please observe the applicable fee regulations of the respective German federal state.

We/I are/am aware that, under certain circumstances, this declaration may be irrevocable, at least for the minor child.

We/I agree that the registrar's office may exchange personal data with us/me and third parties, including by email, for the performance of its statutory duties and for processing our/my application.

_____ (Mother/Parent 1)	_____ (Father/Parent)
_____ (Child 1, if applicable)	_____ (Child 2, if applicable)
_____ (Child 3, if applicable)	_____ (Child 4, if applicable)

I certify the above signatures as executed before me.

The declaring parties have been identified by

_____, No.
(Identity document)
issued on _____ (Mother/Parent 1)

_____, No.
(Identity document)
Issued on _____ (Father/Parent 2)

_____, No.
(Identity document)
issued on _____ (Child 1, if applicable)

_____, No.
(Identity document)
issued on _____ (Child 2, if applicable)

_____, No.
(Identity document)
issued on _____ (Child 3, if applicable)

_____, No.
(Identity document)
issued on _____ (Child 4, if applicable)

place, date:

_____, the

(Seal)

(Consular officer)

Please attach forms with multiple pages securely together.

Alternatively: Signature notarization by a Notary Public

I hereby certify that **the above signatures** were made in my presence by:

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

(First, middle and last names)

who identified themselves by valid identification.

(Place and date, Notary Public's signature and seal)