



NATIONALITY (FEES) ORDER 2020

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*Immigration Act 2014***NATIONALITY (FEES) ORDER 2020¹***Laid before Tynwald: 17 March 2020**Coming into Operation: 6 April 2020*

The Governor makes the following Order with the consent of Treasury under section 68(1) to (6), (12) and (13) and 69(1) of the Immigration Act 2014 (of Parliament)¹ as that Act has effect in the Island².

1 Title

This Order is the Nationality (Fees) Order 2020.

2 Commencement

This Order comes into operation on 6 April 2020.

3 Interpretation

In this Order, —

“**the 1971 Act**” means the Immigration Act 1971 (of Parliament)³ as that Act has effect in the Island

“**the 1981 Act**” means the British Nationality Act 1981 (of Parliament)⁴;

“**the 1997 Act**” means the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Act 1997 (of Parliament)⁵;

“**the 1986 Order**” means the Hong Kong (British Nationality) Order 1986 (of Parliament)⁶;

“**biometric information**” means information about a person’s external physical characteristics;

¹ 2014 c. 22.

² S.I. No. 2008/680.

³ 1971 c.77

⁴ 1981 c. 61 (extended to the Island by section 53 of that Act).

⁵ 1997 c. 20 (extended to the Island by section 3 of that Act).

⁶ 1986 No.948 (extended to the Island by Article 1 of that Order).

“**British citizen**” means a person who has that status in accordance with the provisions of the 1981 Act, the 1997 Act or the British Overseas Territories Act 2002 (of Parliament)⁷;

“**certificate of registration or naturalisation**” means a certificate of registration or naturalisation issued under the 1981 Act;

“**fees regulations**” means the fees regulations made by the Governor under section 68 of the Immigration Act 2014 (of Parliament) as that Act has effect in the Island;

“**the former nationality Acts**” has the same meaning as provided in section 50(1) of the 1981 Act;

“**premium services**” means optional premium services offered in connection with nationality applications;

“**Secretary of State**” means the Secretary of State for the Home Office of the United Kingdom.

4 Fees

- (1) The Governor, or any person on behalf of the Governor, must charge the fee specified in fee regulations in respect of the exercise of the functions in connection with nationality that are specified in this Order.
- (2) The fee specified in such regulations may not exceed the maximum amount specified in this Order in respect of the relevant functions.
- (3) The fee specified in such regulations must be calculated in the manner specified in this Order.
- (4) Where no particular manner is specified, the fee must be a fixed amount.

5 Nationality

- (1) A fee is to be charged for attending to an application or request for a process or service of a type specified in Table 1.
- (2) Table 1 specified the maximum amount that may be charged in respect of each application or request, for a process or service.

Table 1

<i>Number</i>	<i>Type of application, process or service</i>	<i>Maximum amount</i>
6.1	Naturalisation as a British citizen.	£1,500
6.2	Registration as a British citizen.	£1,500
6.3	Amendment of a certificate of registration or naturalisation as a British citizen.	£250
6.4	Arrangement of a citizenship ceremony.	£100

⁷ 2002 c. 8 (extended to the Island by section 8 of that Act).

6.6	Supply of a certified copy of a notice, certificate, order, declaration or entry given, granted or made under the 1981 Act or any of the former Nationality Acts, or the 1997 Act.	£250
6.7	Supply of a copy, or replacement, or amended version of any of the documents specified above.	£250

6 Documents and administration

- (1) A fee is to be charged for, —
- (a) attending to an application or request for a documents of a type specified in Table 2; and
 - (b) carrying out the administrative activities, in connection with an application or claim or on request, specified in Table 2.
- (2) Table 2 specifies how the fee is to be calculated and the maximum amount or rate that may be charged in respect of each document or administrative activity.

Table 2

<i>Number</i>	<i>Type of application, claim, request or administrative activity</i>	<i>Method of calculation</i>	<i>Maximum amount/rate</i>
2.1	Application or request for documents		
2.1.1	Any letter or document (not including a passport) confirming a person's nationality status, or confirming that the person is not a British citizen.	Fixed amount	£550
2.1.2	Copy, or replacement, or amended version or any of the documents specified above.	Fixed amount	£550
2.2	Administrative activity		
2.2.1	Administration of any test a person is required to take for the purpose of an application or claim in connection with nationality.	Fixed amount	£250
2.2.2	Taking a record of a person's biometric information.	Fixed amount	£30
2.2.3	Processing of an application or claim which is invalid	Fixed amount	£80
2.2.4	Carrying out any police criminal record or other checks as required under the 1981 Act in connection with an application for naturalisation.	Fixed amount	£200

7 Premium services

Table 3 specifies the functions relating to the provision of premium services and which are exercised following an application or request, for which a fee is to be charged, how the fee is to be calculated and the maximum amount that may be charged in respect of each service.

Table 3

<i>Number</i>	<i>Type of application, claim, request or administrative activity</i>	<i>Method of calculation</i>	<i>Maximum amount/rate</i>
3.1	Arrangements for expediting the processing (or any element of processing) of an application or claim in connection with nationality.	Fixed amount	£1,000
3.2	The expedited return to the applicant of documents where these have been provided by the applicant in the course of making an application or claim in connection with nationality.	Fixed amount	£75
3.3	The provision of a service in connection with nationality by a representative of the Governor, or any person on behalf of the Governor, where this is done outside office hours.	Fixed amount	£75
3.4	The expedited arrangement of any test a person is required to take for the purposes of an application or claim in connection with nationality.	Fixed amount	£400

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ENDNOTES

Table of Endnote References

¹ The format of this legislation has been changed as provided for under section 75 of, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to, the Legislation Act 2015. The changes have been approved by the Attorney General after consultation with the Clerk of Tynwald as required by section 76 of the Legislation Act 2015.