The Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages Victoria  
Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1996

Application to  
Change record of sex  
Adult born in Victoria

INSTRUCTIONS

Who can apply?  
An adult can apply to change their record of sex. You can apply if you:  
• Are 18 years or over  
• Were born in Victoria, Australia  
• Have not changed your record of sex in the last 12 months.

How to complete this application  
1. Fill out PARTS 1–2  
2. Sign the statutory declaration in front of an authorised witness (PART 3)  
3. Get an authorised person to complete the supporting statement (PART 4)  
4. Attach required documents  
   See PART 5 for a list of documents you need. Any copies of original documents must be certified (see next section How to certify documents)  
5. Pay the relevant fees (PART 7)  
6. Lodge your application  
   See the back of this form for details.

How to certify documents  
If you need to provide copies of documents, you must get them certified. This proves they are true copies of the original.  
• To certify documents, take both the original documents and a photocopy to someone authorised to certify the copies. This includes legal practitioners, pharmacists, teachers, medical practitioners and Justices of the Peace.

For a full list of authorised certifiers, see justice.vic.gov.au/certifiedcopies.  
You can also take your original document to a Justice Service Centre for certification http://www.justice.vic.gov.au/service-locations.  
If you are interstate, any Justice of the Peace can certify documents.

Translated documents  
If your documents are not in English, you must also attach a certified translation. The translator must be accredited by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters.

How long will it take?  
Our processing times start from when we receive your application with all required documents.  
PART 1: YOUR DETAILS

Current name
Write name as recorded on your birth certificate.

Family name (surname)

Given name (first name)

Other given name(s) (middle name)

Previous names
Have you previously changed your name or used any other names in the past?
For example, maiden name, previous married name, anglicised name

☐ No, my name hasn’t changed since I was born
☐ Yes, my name was changed – you must provide details below of each name used

Name at birth (if different from current name)
Family name (surname) at birth

Given name (first name) at birth

Other given name(s) (middle name) at birth

List all other previous names

Changing your name
Change of name is a separate process.
If you plan to change your name as well as your record of sex:
• Complete a change of name application (in addition to this application)
• Lodge both applications together.

You only pay one application fee. We will waive the change of name application fee.
We will only waive this fee if the applications are submitted together.

Do you intend to change your name?
☐ Yes, my name will change
☐ No, I don’t plan to change my name
For more information on change of name, see https://www.bdm.vic.gov.au/change-a-name

Date of birth
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Your contact details
Phone number

Email address

Your home address
Street number and name

Suburb/town

State

Postcode

Country

Your place of birth
Suburb, town

State of birth V I C

Country of birth A U S T R A L I A

Are you a prisoner, parolee, detained in a youth justice facility, a registrable offender or subject to a supervision order?
☐ No
☐ Yes – you must attach a certified copy of the approval from the relevant authority. For more information on who the relevant authority is see https://www.bdm.vic.gov.au/changes-and-corrections/certificates-and-registrations-for-offenders
PART 2: YOUR NEW RECORD OF SEX

What do you want your new record of sex to be?

BDM accepts most sex descriptors. However, there are some the law doesn’t allow. This may include descriptors that are:

- Obscene or offensive
- Impractical (for example, it is too long or contains symbols)
- Restricted for other reasons (for example, it is chosen for an improper purpose).

PART 3: STATUTORY DECLARATION

Instructions

1. Complete the Declaration section below. Don’t sign it yet.
2. Find a person authorised to witness a statutory declaration. Ask them to fill out the ‘Witness details’ section.
3. You must say aloud, in front of the witness:
   “I, [full name] of [address], declare that the contents of this statutory declaration are true and correct.”
4. Sign the declaration in front of the witness.

Declaration

I (full name)

of (address)

and (occupation)

make the following statutory declaration under the Oaths and Affirmations Act 2018:

- My birth was registered in Victoria
- I believe my sex to be the one nominated in this application
- My record of sex has not been changed in the last 12 months.

I declare that the contents of this statutory declaration are true and correct and I make it knowing that making a statutory declaration that I know to be untrue is an offence.

Applicant signature

Signature of person making the declaration (in the presence of a qualified witness)

Declared at (place)

In the State of Victoria on (date)

Witness signature

I am an authorised statutory declaration witness and I sign this document in the presence of the person making the declaration.

Date

Witness details

Family name (surname)

Given name (first name)

Other given name(s) (middle name)
PART 3: STATUTORY DECLARATION

Personal or professional address (of witness)
Street number and name

Suburb/town

State       Postcode

Country

Phone number

Email address

Qualification of witness

A person authorised under section 30(2) of the Oaths and Affirmations Act 2018 to witness the signing of a statutory declaration.

PART 4: SUPPORTING STATEMENT

To be completed by an adult who has known you for at least 12 months.


Family name (surname) of the supporting person

Given name (first name) of the supporting person

In my opinion, the person making this application to change their record of sex is doing so in good faith

☐ Yes

☐ No

I support this application to change the applicant’s record of sex

☐ Yes

☐ No

Signature of the supporting person
Signed

Date

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PART 5: DOCUMENTS YOU NEED

If applying in person: Bring original documents.

If mailing your application: Attach photocopies certified by an authorised certifier (see front of this form for details).

Return your birth certificate:

- Legal Victorian birth certificate (original)
- If you are unable to return the legal original birth certificate: A statutory declaration stating the reason

You MUST return all original legal Victorian birth certificates by attaching them to this application. A record of sex won’t be changed unless you return all original certificates. If you are unable to return the originals, please attach a statutory declaration stating the reason.

See https://www.bdm.vic.gov.au/unable-to-return-certificate if you are unable to return a certificate.

Additional documents (if required):

- If you are a prisoner, parolee, detained in a youth justice facility, a registrable offender or subject to a supervision order: Approval from the relevant authority.

Proof of your identity:

- 2 documents from List 1 below
- Any 3 documents from the lists below. Each document must be from a different list.

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| Current documents:  
- Australian driver licence or learner permit  
- Australian passport  
- ImmiCard (immigration card) | Current documents:  
- Firearms licence  
- Foreign passport  
- Security guard / Crowd Control licence  
- Tertiary education institution ID Card (with Photo)  
- Working with Children Check card | Current documents:  
- Australian birth certificate  
- Australian change of name certificate  
- Australian citizenship certificate  
- Australian marriage certificate  
- Medicare card  
- Visa verification | Current documents:  
- Bank statement (passbook, credit, savings or cheque account)  
- Centrelink card (Pension Concession, Health Care or Commonwealth Seniors Health Card)  
- Credit or debit card  
- Department of Veterans Affairs Card |

Documents issued within the last 12 months:

- Utility account (e.g. gas, water, electricity, mobile or home phone)
- Lease agreements
- Rates notice
- Superannuation fund statement

Can’t provide the required ID?

If you don’t have the required identity documents, please contact us on 1300 369 367.

PART 6: INFORMATION ON CERTIFICATE

Legal certificate

Your application fee includes a legal birth certificate. You can use legal certificates for official purposes. They do not show a history of the previous record of sex or any name changes.
### PART 7: PAYMENT

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<td>Collect from Ground Floor, 595 Collins Street, Melbourne 3000</td>
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**How do you wish to pay?**
- [ ] Pay in Person - No cash
- [ ] Eftpos/Debit/Credit cards accepted
- [ ] MasterCard
- [ ] Visa
- [ ] Money order
- [ ] Cheque

Make cheques and money orders payable to the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages Victoria.

**Credit card details**
Note. Do not complete this if you are lodging your application via email – we will contact you by phone for payment

- [ ] Card number
- [ ] Expiry date
  - M M / Y Y
  - Name on card
  - Signature of cardholder

**Mail the certificate to:**
- [ ] My home address in Part 1
- [ ] Other mailing address – provide details below

- [ ] Street number and name

- [ ] Suburb/town
- [ ] State
- [ ] Postcode
- [ ] Country
PART 8: CHECKLIST

- I have nominated a sex descriptor in PART 2
- I have signed the statutory declaration in PART 3 in the presence of an authorised witness
- The supporting statement in PART 4 has been completed and signed
- I have supplied all required documents listed in PART 5
- I have included payment or completed the credit card section in PART 7
- If applying by mail: All documents photocopied have been certified by a person authorised to certify documents

PART 9: LODGEMENT

Submit this application form, payment and all required documents (if applicable):

**By mail,** to:
The Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages Victoria
GPO Box 4332, Melbourne VIC 3001

**In person**
Ground floor, 595 Collins Street, Melbourne
Opening hours: Mon – Fri 8–4pm
Or
Justice Service Centre (JSC)

**Privacy and disclosure of information**
The information required on this form is collected, used and stored in compliance with the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1996 and relevant State and Commonwealth privacy legislation. Access to the information may be granted to government and non-government agencies consistent with the Registry’s Access policy and as provided for by law.

Further information about privacy, disclosure of data and how to access or correct a record is available at [http://www.bdm.vic.gov.au](http://www.bdm.vic.gov.au).

**Enquiries**
Application enquiries: bdmcorrections@justice.vic.gov.au
General enquiries: 1300 369 367
Mon–Fri 8–4pm excluding public holidays.