**REPORTING THE BIRTH OF A CHILD IN ROMANIA TO A U.S. CITIZEN PARENT**

**CHECKLIST FOR AN APPLICATION FOR A CONSULAR REPORT OF BIRTH ABROAD, U.S. PASSPORT AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER**

**Please check the appropriate box in front of each document you can submit.**

**Consular Report of Birth Abroad**

**Child’s Romanian Birth Certificate – “Certificat de nastere”**

The Romanian Birth Certificate issued by the local “Starea Civila” office from the City Hall/Town Hall in the child’s place of birth, listing child’s full name, date and place of birth, names of parents, as well as the number, date and place of registration. *(0riginal certificate plus one photocopy).*

**Parents married**

An original or certified, sealed copy of the Marriage Certificate (“Certificat de Casatorie”) issued by the local “Starea civila” office from the City Hall/Town Hall. Marriage certificates in languages other than Romanian or English must be translated by an authorized translator into Romanian or English. The original certificate must be presented along with any translation. *(0riginal certificate plus one photocopy).*

**Either parent married previously**

Original or certified, sealed copy of divorce decrees from all previous marriages, or death certificates. Romanian divorce decree can be obtained from the clerk of the court with jurisdiction over the area where your divorce took place. Make sure to request a signed copy, stamped by a court official. Decrees in languages other than Romanian or English must be translated by an authorized translator into Romanian or English. The original decree(s) must be presented along with any translation. *(0riginal certificate plus one photocopy).*

**Evidence of parent’s US citizenship**

The U.S. citizen parent must present his/her US passport. If the U.S. citizen parent was naturalized he/she should bring the original Certificate of Naturalization in addition to the passport. *(0riginal certificate plus one photocopy).*

**Physical presence evidence, if one parent is not a US citizen**

The U.S. citizen parent must present evidence to support the statements made in the Application form DS-2029 and/or Affidavit of Parentage and Physical Presence.

If the child is born in wedlock and only one parent is a US citizen, the citizen parent must present evidence that, prior to the child’s birth, he/she has been physically present in the United States or one of its outlying possessions for five years, of which two after the age 14. Naturalized citizens may count any time they spent in the United States or its outlying possessions before and after being naturalized, regardless of their status.

For children born out of wedlock to a US citizen parent and a non-US citizen parent, the requirements are: five years of physical presence in the U.S. of the citizen parent, of which two after age 14; or twelve months of continuous (uninterrupted) physical presence for the US citizen mother of a child born out of wedlock prior to June 12, 2017.

Primary evidence documents that may establish your physical presence in the U.S. before the child’s birth include: transcripts from high school and/or college, wage statements, DD214 Separation statement (military members only). Secondary evidence include: credit card bills, utility bills, tax forms, airline ticket stubs, former/current passport with stamps (*original documents plus photocopies*).

Please attach copies of your physical presence evidence in the eCRBA application.

**Evidence of U.S. residence, if both parents are US citizens**

Property rental leases and payment receipts, deeds, utility bills, property tax records, automobile registrations, professional licenses, employment records or information, income tax records, stamped school transcripts, military records, income records, including W-2 salary forms, and vaccination and medical records. List evidence available:

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**Passport/Identification document for non-U.S. Citizen Parent**

A non-U.S. citizen parent must bring his/her passport or other government issued photo-ID, such as a national identity card ("carte de identitate").

**Proof of Relationship:** Proof of the relationship between the U.S. citizen parent(s) and the child.  Bring evidence of the relationship between the parents, evidence the parents were in the same place at the time of conception, prenatal records (see below), and fertility agency documentation, if applicable.

**Proof of Pregnancy:**

In cases in which paternity or maternity is in question, the consular officer may request additional proof.  Sometimes this proof may take the form of family photographs, baptism records, or other documents.  In other cases, DNA testing may be suggested. If DNA testing is required, the test has to be performed under [specific guidelines](http://photos.state.gov/libraries/quito/153436/ACS/DNA-Test.pdf).

**Records of Pregnancy**

If available, records of the mother's pregnancy.  For example, sonograms, doctor's certificates, photographs of mother during pregnancy and photographs from the hospital. *If any method of Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) was used* to facilitate the child’s conception, [appropriate medical records or medical documentation](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/legal/travel-legal-considerations/us-citizenship/Assisted-Reproductive-Technology-ART-Surrogacy-Abroad.html) to establish the biological/genetic relationship between the child and at least one parent.

**Photos of the child**

Age progression photos of the child, from the time of birth until the date of the application, must be submitted. For children born out of wedlock, please be prepared to submit proof of relationship between parents.