

Birth Registration Abroad

Registering a Child Born in the USA as a Turkish Citizen

Required Documents

- Original US birth certificate (long form with parents' names)
- Apostille on birth certificate (from Secretary of State)
- Sworn Turkish translation of birth certificate
- Both parents' Turkish ID cards or passports - originals
- Parents' marriage certificate (if applicable)
- 2 photos of the child (passport size, recent)
- Proof of parents' address in the US

If Parents Are Not Married

- Father must sign acknowledgment of paternity at consulate
- Mother's consent for registration under father's name
- DNA test may be required in disputed cases

If One Parent is Not Turkish

- Non-Turkish parent's passport copy
- Child automatically eligible through Turkish parent
- Consider dual citizenship implications

Fees (Cash Only - USD)

- Birth registration: Free
- Sworn translation: \$30-\$50 (if done at consulate)
- ID card application (if requested): \$8.39

Important Notes

- Register within 60 days of birth (strongly recommended)
- Late registration possible but may require additional documentation
- Child receives Turkish citizenship automatically if either parent is Turkish
- Turkish name must comply with Turkish naming conventions
- Child can have both Turkish and US citizenship

APPOINTMENT REQUIRED: konsolosluk.gov.tr

Source: Turkish Consulate General (2024-2025)

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