

ITALIAN CITIZENSHIP



With Italian citizenship, you obtain all the rights and duties of Italian citizens. You also automatically become a citizen of the European Union.



YOU MAINLY OBTAIN CITIZENSHIP:

BY BIRTH

The legally recognised children of at least one parent with Italian citizenship.

Children born in Italy to parents who are both unknown or stateless.

BY MARRIAGE

- After 2 years from the date of marriage to an Italian citizen, if the couple lives in Italy.
- After 3 years, if the couple lives overseas.
- This time is halved if the couple has children.

BY NATURALISATION

- After 3 years' residence, for European or non-European citizens whose parent or grandparent was an Italian citizen, or for European citizens or non-European citizens born in Italy.
- After 4 years' residence for EU citizens.
- After 5 years' residence for beneficiaries of international protection or those who are stateless who are resident in Italy.
- After 5 years' residence for adults adopted by Italian citizens.
- After 10 years' residence for citizens of countries that do not belong to the European Union.

To obtain citizenship by naturalisation, you must have a minimum income. When you submit your application, you must attach your income declaration from the last 3 years and show that you had a personal (or family) income of at least:

- 8,263.31 if you have no dependants
- 11.362,05 € if you have a dependant spouse
- 516,00 € for each additional dependant

THE PROCEDURE FOR REQUESTING ITALIAN CITIZENSHIP BY MARRIAGE AND BY NATURALISATION:



- 1 You must submit your application online with your SPID (Public Digital Identity number), on the website <https://portaleservizi.dlci.interno.it/AluCittadinanza/ali/home.htm>
- 2 Several documents must be attached to the application, including:
 - your identity document;
 - your birth certificate and criminal record issued by your country of origin, which have been translated and certified;
 - the receipt for your contribution payment of € 250;
 - the certification relating to your skill level in Italian.
- 3 The term for concluding the procedure is between 24 and 36 months for applications submitted after 20 December 2020.



HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO SUBMIT THE CITIZENSHIP APPLICATION?



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WHAT IS THE MINIMUM SKILL LEVEL IN ITALIAN YOU NEED TO REQUEST IT ITALIAN CITIZENSHIP?

NOT LESS THAN LEVEL B1 OF THE COMMON EUROPEAN FRAMEWORK OF REFERENCE FOR LANGUAGES.

To prove your linguistic level, you can:

- submit your qualification issued by an education institution recognised by Italy's Ministry of Education, University and Research and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (a qualification equal to or above the junior high school / lower secondary school graduation certificate is valid);
- Obtain the certification issued by one of four recognised bodies: University for Foreigners of Perugia, University for Foreigners of Siena, Roma Tre University, and the Dante Alighieri Society and national and international network of partner institutions and bodies.



You may obtain the certification by attending free courses organised by the Provincial Centres for Adult Education (CPIA). The updated list of CPIAs is found in the [Scuola in chiaro](#) database

If you are a non-EU citizen and you have the non-EU permit to stay for long-term residents, you do not need any qualification or certification.

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- Work injuries and occupational illnesses;
- Disabilities;
- Income support: family allowances, unemployment, and maternity;
- Immigration: requests for and renewal of permits to stay;

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