

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

**CHECKLIST FOR INTERCOUNTRY (INTERNATIONAL) ADOPTIONS
FAMILY CODE § 8900-8925**

The below documents must be filed with the Court for intercountry (international) adoptions. Blank forms can be found at the Clerk's Office or online at www.courts.ca.gov/forms.

For more information on the intercountry adoption process, review How to Adopt a Child in California [ADOPT-050-INFO](#) and visit the self-help guide to the California Courts at www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp-adoption.htm.

- Adoptions Case Cover Sheet [LASC ADPT 029](#)
- Adoption Request [ADOPT-200](#) with any attachments specified by the form.

If the adoption was finalized in a foreign country, the following documents must also be attached to the ADOPT-200:

- A certified or otherwise official copy of the foreign decree, order, or certification of adoption that reflects finalization of the adoption in the foreign country.
- A certified or otherwise official copy of the child's foreign birth certificate.
- A certified translation of all documents described in this subdivision that are not written in English. The court shall accept the certified translation, if any, that was completed abroad for purposes of obtaining the child's visa or passport.
- Proof that the child was granted lawful entry into the United States as an immediate relative of the adoptive parent or parents.
- A report from at least one postplacement home visit by an intercountry adoption agency or a contractor of that agency licensed to provide intercountry adoption services in the State of California.
- A copy of the home study report previously completed for the international finalized adoption by an adoption agency authorized to provide intercountry adoption services pursuant to Section 8900.
- Indian Child Inquiry Attachment [ICWA-010\(A\)](#) (Must be attached to the ADOPT-200)
- Parental Notification of Indian Status [ICWA-020](#)
- If the child was born in a foreign country and placed with a CA family for adoption in this state, all post placement supervision visits reports.
- Any other full report of the facts of the case if the licensed adoption agency or department is a party or joins in the adoption petition.

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- Adoption Expenses [ADOPT-230](#)
- Adoption Agreement [ADOPT-210](#)
- Adoption Order [ADOPT-215](#)
- Court Report of Adoption VS 44 (Please visit www.cdph.ca.gov to complete and print the form.)
- Filing fee of \$20.00. Please make check payable to the Los Angeles Superior Court.
- One self-addressed envelope for any conformed copies to be returned (Optional)

For questions, please call the Edmund D. Edelman Children's Court Clerk's Office at (323) 307-8000 Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.