



AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT SECURITY VETTING AGENCY

Citizenship requirements for people born after 20 August 1986

If you are applying for a security clearance and were born after 20 August 1986 you will need to provide additional documentation to prove your citizenship.

The flow chart overleaf outlines the criteria you will need to meet to have your security clearance processed.

Why the additional requirements

Whether you are an Australian citizen by birth depends on the date of your birth.

Most children born in Australia before 20 August 1986 are Australian citizens by birth unless one parent was entitled to diplomatic privileges or was a consular officer of another country.

Children born after that date are only Australian citizens if at least one parent was an Australian citizen or permanent resident at the time of their birth.

Children born in Australia to parents, who are not Australian citizens or permanent residents, automatically acquire Australian citizenship on their 10th birthday if they have lived most of their life in Australia.

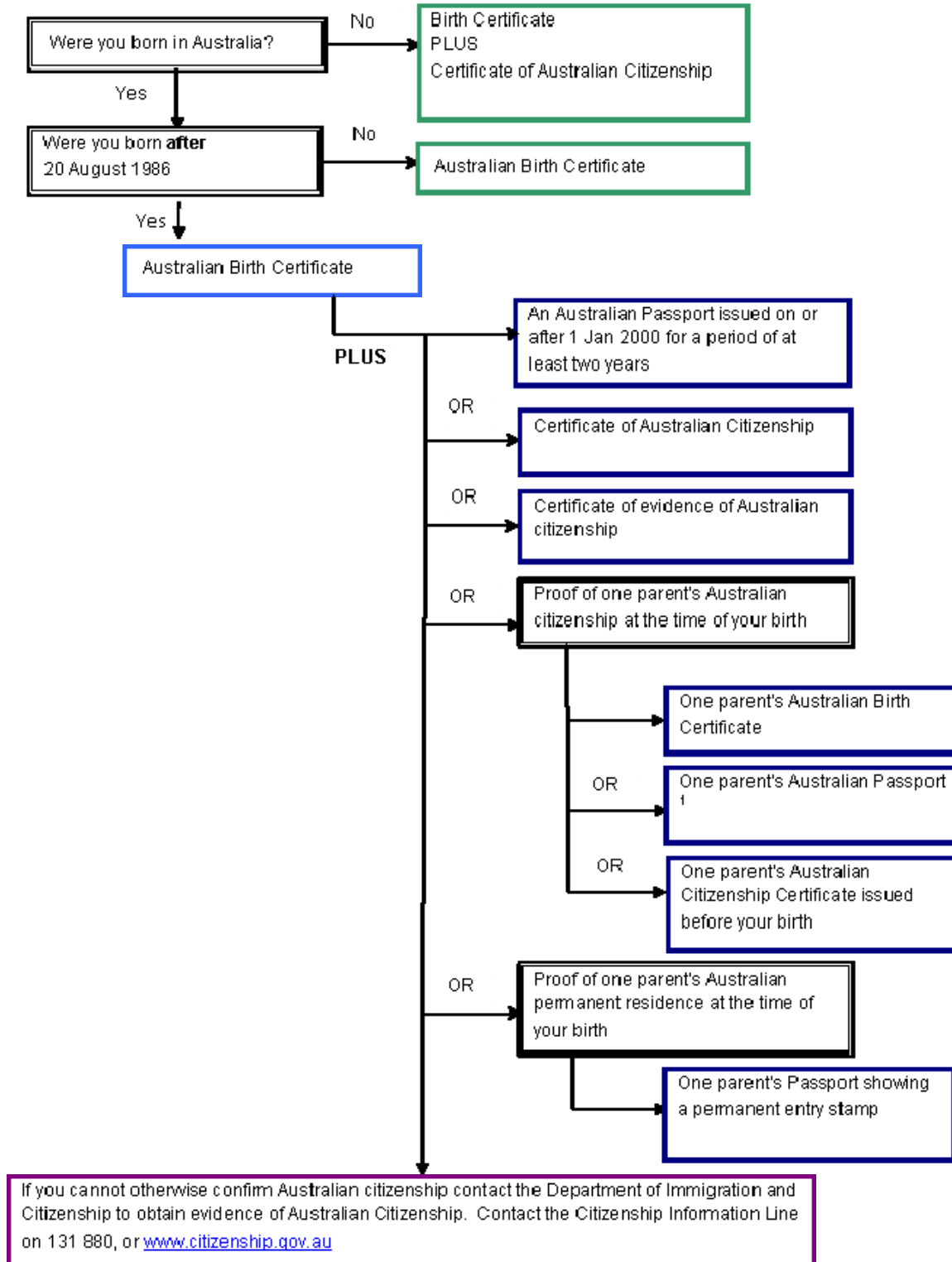
If you would like further information regarding providing proof of Australian Citizenship please visit the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website page for current Australian Citizens at <http://www.citizenship.gov.au/current/>

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Citizenship flow chart for people born after 20 August 1986



¹ An Australian Passport that was issued to your parent, for a period of at least two years, on or after 20th August 1986 and prior to your birth.

