

Manitoba Post-Adoption Services Contact Preference



For questions or to submit your application:
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Office use only
 Date Received:

A Contact Preference specifies the type of contact, if any, the person who filed it wishes to have with their birth parent or adult child, should they apply for the documents related to the birth/adoption. You must be 16+ years of age to complete a Contact Preference. No one can complete a Contact Preference on your behalf.

Please refer to the Guide to Contact Preferences (page 7) for detailed information on the release of identifying information and the Contact Preference.

Section 1 – Your Information

- I am the Adult Adoptee (must be 16+ years of age)
- I am the Birth Parent

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Previous Names (i.e. maiden name)		Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	
Suite Number	Street Number	Street Name	
City/Town	Province/State	Country	Postal Code/Zip code
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
Email Address			

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Section 2 - Birth Information (complete all known information)

Complete if you are the Adult Adoptee:

Birth Name		Place of Birth
Birth Mother's Name	Birth Father's Name	
Adoptive Parent's Name	Adoptive Parent's Name	

Complete if you are the Birth Parent (you must complete a separate form for each child):

Child's Birth Name	
Child's Date of Birth	Child's Place of Birth
Birth mother's name (include maiden name)	Birth Father's Name

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Section 3 - Preventing the Release of my Identifying Information

Complete if you are the Adult Adoptee:

I **DO** want to have contact with the following eligible birth parent should they apply for the records related to my birth and adoption and receive my full name by adoption:

- Birth Mother
- Birth Father

OR

I **DO NOT** want to have contact with the following eligible birth parent should they apply for the records related to my birth and adoption and receive my full name by adoption:

- Birth Mother
- Birth Father

Complete only if you have indicated that you **DO** want contact:

I give Manitoba Post-Adoption Services permission to share the following information to my birth mother should she apply for the documents related to my birth/adoption so that she may contact me:

(Provide only the information that you wish to have shared)

Name: _____

Email(s): _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Other: _____

I wish to have the following identifying information released with my pre-adoption birth registration to my birth father should he apply for the documents related to my birth/adoption so that he may contact me:

(Provide only the information that you wish to have shared)

Name: _____

Email(s): _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Other: _____

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Section 3 - Preventing the Release of my Identifying Information *cont.*

Complete if you are the Birth Parent:

- I **DO NOT** want to have any contact with my child listed in Section 2 should they apply for the records related to their birth and adoption and receive my identifying information as recorded at the time of their birth:

Or

- I **DO** want to have contact with my child listed in Section 2 should they apply for the records related to their birth and adoption and receive my identifying information as recorded at the time of their birth:

Complete only if you have indicated that you **DO** want contact:

I give Manitoba Post-Adoption Services permission to share the following information to my child so that they may contact me:

(Provide only the information that you wish to have shared)

Name: _____

Email(s): _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Other: _____

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Section 4 - Additional Information

- I have chosen to include additional information (see page 6)
- I have chosen not to include additional information

Section 5 - Confirmation of Receipt

- I would like to receive confirmation that Manitoba Post-Adoption Services has received my Contact Preference
- I do not require confirmation of receipt

Section 6 – Identification

I have included a copy of one of the following government issued identification with my application:

- Driver's Licence
- Passport
- Birth Certificate
- Health Card
- Other

Section 7 – Understanding, Acknowledgement and Certification

By signing my name, I understand that the Director of Child and Family Services is obtaining personal information (including, if necessary for identification purposes, my Manitoba Health Registration Number) so that the Director can provide me with post-adoption services under the *Adoption Act*. I understand that my personal information is being collected under the authority of subsection 36(1)(b) of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and that my personal health information, if any, is being collected under the authority of subsection 12(1) of *The Personal Health Information Act*.

The information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I am making this application in good faith and not for any improper purpose.

Signature

Date

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Contact Preference - Information Guide

A Contact Preference specifies the type of contact, if any; wanted with your birth parent or adult child should they apply for the documents related to the birth/adoption.

If you are an adult adoptee (16+ years of age):

- your identifying information is your full name by adoption as recorded on your substituted birth registration
- your identifying information can be released on your substituted birth registration once you reach 18 years of age to an eligible birth parent without your knowledge and without your consent/registration
- **a Contact Preference specifies the type of contact, if any, you wish to have with an eligible birth parent should they apply for the documents related to your birth/adoption**
- to be eligible to receive a copy of the birth documents, the birth parent must be listed on your pre-adoption birth registration
- birth fathers may not be listed on the pre-adoption birth registration, however you may still complete a Contact Preference regarding a birth father
- your identifying information will not be released without your consent/registration to an ineligible birth parent, birth siblings, or any extended birth family members
- if you have indicated you want no contact, your eligible birth parent will be required to complete an undertaking agreeing to respect your wishes prior to the release of the substituted birth registration
- if an eligible birth parent has applied for the documents related to your birth/adoption prior to you submitting a Contact Preference your preferences will not apply
- the Contact Preference will only take effect if your eligible birth parent requests the documents related to your birth/adoption
- you may complete a Manitoba Post-Adoption Service- *Adult Adoptee Application* should you wish to apply for information/contact with your birth parents and/or birth siblings

If you are a birth parent:

- you must complete a separate Contact Preference for each child
- your identifying information is your full name and information as recorded on the pre-adoption birth registration at the time of your child's birth
- birth fathers may not be listed on the pre-adoption birth registration
- your identifying information can be released to your adult child on their pre-adoption birth registration without your knowledge and without your consent/registration
- **a Contact Preference specifies the type of contact, if any, you wish to have with your adult child should they apply for the documents related to their birth/adoption**
- if you have indicated you want no contact, your adult child will be required to complete an undertaking agreeing to respect your wishes prior to the release of the pre-adoption birth registration
- if your adult child has applied for their pre-adoption birth registration prior to you submitting a Contact Preference your preferences will not apply
- the Contact Preference will only take effect if your child requests the documents related to their birth/adoption
- you may complete a Manitoba Post-Adoption Service- *Birth Parent Application* should you wish to apply for information/contact with your child

For adoptions granted prior to June 15, 2015 you may submit a Disclosure Veto if you wish to prevent the release of your identifying information.

For more information about our services, visit the Manitoba Post-Adoption Services website at: manitoba.ca/postadoption