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Procedure for Processing Applications for Israeli Residency Visas for Minors Born Outside Israel with Only One Parent Registered as a Permanent Resident of Israel

A. Procedure Purpose

- A.1 To determine the procedure for submission and processing of applications for grant of status to a minor child who was born in Israel and has only one parent who is registered as a permanent resident of Israel.
- A.2 To determine the type of residency visa for such minor upon satisfaction of the conditions and requirements as detailed below.

Note: All provisions of this procedure are subject to proof of paternity or maternity as per the relevant procedures.

B. Conditions and Requirements

- B.1 Submission of an application for family unification for a minor (ages 0-18), enclosing payment of permanent residency visa fee.
- B.2 In-person presence of permanent resident parent – mandatory.
- B.3 Notice of birth, certified and original, see Procedure No. 1.3.0001.
- B.4 ID card of permanent resident parent.
- B.5 ID card of “Area” resident parent / foreign passport.
- B.6 Payment of fee for application for permanent residency visa and a fee for every temporary residency visa issued to the applicant.

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- B.7 Proof of the resident parent’s and minor’s center-of-life in Israel in the two years preceding application submission, as per Procedure 1.13.0001. Where the minor is under **24 months**, proof of the resident parent’s center-of-life in Israel in the two years preceding the application and proof of center-of-life in Israel with the minor from the date of birth will be required.
- B.8 A minor over age 14 will be required to fill out a full curriculum vitae form for the purpose of security screening.

C. Processing

- C.1 The authority branch officer receiving the application form will identify the applicants, locate their file in the “Aviv” system, check the information indicated in the application, enter it into the Aviv system in a registry sheet and in the applications file, and attach all the required documents to the file. If the minor’s specifics are not included in the file, the information will be updated and the files must be linked.
- C.2 If the minor is over age 14, a query must be sent to the police regarding a criminal record and to security officials regarding intelligence information.
- C.3 A query must be sent to the National Insurance Institute and the Ministry of Education and/or the local educational network (as relevant) for details on center-of-life.
- C.4 Review of full center-of-life in Israel for the permanent resident parent and the minor in the two years preceding application submission, as per Procedure 1.13.0001, as well as review of the permanent resident parent’s status.
- C.5 Where the minor is under 24 months, proof of the resident parent’s center-of-life in Israel in the two years preceding application submission and center-of-life in Israel with the minor from the date of birth will be required.
- C.6 **Determination of residency visa type:**
If, subsequent to examination of all the relevant factors, it is found that it is possible to grant the minor an Israeli residency visa, the following parameters must be referred to and examined in order to determine the type of residency visa to be given to the minor:
- C.6.1 **Place of birth**
- C.6.1.1 Born outside Israel abroad/in the “Area”.
 - C.6.1.2 Whether the minor is registered in another population registry or has lived abroad on a permanent basis – in the Area or in another country.
 - C.6.1.3 Whether the Citizenship and Entry into Israel Law (Temporary Order) 5763-2003 (hereinafter: Temporary Order) applies to the minor.

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C.7 The attached table lists the type of visa to be granted to a minor found eligible for a residency visa in accordance with the following parameters:

C.7.1 :

	Not yet registered No ID number	Registered abroad Foreign passport or resided abroad on a permanent basis	Registered in the Area, or residing in the Area despite not being registered in the population registry of the Area, excluding residents of an Israeli community in the Area Territories ID number (Under age 14)	Registered in the Area, or residing in the Area despite not being registered in the population registry of the Area, excluding residents of an Israeli community in the Area Territories ID number (Over age 14)
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Born outside limits/Abroad/in the Area Fee payment as required by law, see Sec. B.6 above.	Application for Israeli residency visa** Center-of-life in Israel for two years.* A/5 for two years followed by permanent (see Sec. C.3.7 below)	Application for Israeli residency visa** Center-of-life in Israel for two years.* A/5 for two years followed by permanent (see Sec. C.3.7 below)	Application for Israeli residency visa** Center-of-life in Israel for two years.* A/5 for two years, followed by permanent, subject to Temporary Order restrictions (see Sec. C.3.7 and subsections)	Application for Israeli residency visa** Center-of-life in Israel for two years.* DCO only. see Sec. C.3.7 and subsections

* Center-of-life in Israel with the permanent resident parent for two years (see also Sec. C.3.7)

** Children family unification

C.7.2 Processing methods and table interpretation:

- C.7.2.1 As a rule, if an application for family unification was filed for the spouse and the minors are included in that application, the application is examined as a whole.
- C.7.2.2 At the time of application submission, the application for the sponsored parent and children over age 14 must be transferred for the purpose of obtaining the position of the agencies (ISA, police).
- C.7.2.3 As a rule, at the time of application submission, it is possible to file a joint application for grant of residency visa for minors both over age 14 and under age 14. However, the issuance of a residency visa for minors under age 14 is not subject to a security agency (ISA and police) screening of the parent

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(foreign national), or the minors over age 14, regardless of whether or not an application was filed on their behalf and subject to satisfaction of all other conditions for application approval under the procedure in effect.

C.7.2.4 Inasmuch as a single application is filed for a spouse and minors and there is an objection regarding the parent and/or one of the minors over age 14, a letter must be issued in accordance with Security Agency Comments Procedure 5.2.0015, with respect to the minor or parent (foreign national), as relevant, and processing of the application for the remaining sponsored individuals should be continued. To clarify – a new application must be submitted for the sponsored individual whose application has been denied (spouse or minor), inasmuch as s/he wishes to reapply. Such application will be reviewed in accordance with his/her age at the time the new application is submitted.

C.7.3 Subsequent to submission of all relevant documents and proof of center-of-life in Israel as required, and in the absence of a police or security preclusion, an examination as to whether the minor and his/her parent do in fact reside in Israel and maintain a center-of-life there over time (regardless of whether or not registered/resided abroad). This process is undertaken since the minor was born outside Israel. In the process, the minor will receive an A/5 temporary residency visa for two years, and once continued center-of-life in Israel with the permanent resident parent is established and in the absence of a police or security preclusion, at the end of the two years, the minor will receive a permanent residency visa.

C.7.3.1 **When the matter involves a minor to whom the Temporary Order applies** - When the matter involves a minor who was registered in the Area or resides there despite not being registered in the population registry of the Area, other than a resident of an Israeli community in the Area:

C.7.3.1.1. A minor under age 14 (the age of the minor will be examined in view of his/her age at the time contact was made for the purpose of submitting the application, provided s/he submitted the application at the time scheduled): will receive A/5 for two years, followed by a permanent residency visa, upon proof of continued center-of-life in Israel with the permanent resident parent.

C.7.3.1.2. A minor over age 14 (the age of the minor will be examined in view of his/her age at the time contact was made for the purpose of filing the application), will receive a referral to obtain DCO permits only, subject to a review of the position of police and security officials. Status will not be upgraded.

C.7.4 At the time of issuance of the temporary residency visa (A/5), the applicant parent will be notified in writing, in Hebrew and Arabic, that before a permanent residency visa can be issued, documents and evidence of center-of-life in Israel must be submitted to the branch office for examination 3 months prior to the end of the two-year period.

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C.7.5 A residency visa permit issued to a minor will not be extended if the minor does not live with the custodial parent in Israel on a permanent basis.

C.7.6 A minor to whom the Temporary Order applies, who reaches age 18, will continue receiving the same visa/permit s/he had prior to reaching age 18 without upgrades.

The visa/permit will be extended subject to the absence of a criminal/security preclusion, center-of-life – all subject to the circumstances, the law and procedures.

***** To clarify, there is a difference between processing of applications for status under Regulations 12 of the Entry into Israel Regulations 5734-1974 (see Procedure 5.2.0029 Procedure for Processing of Applications for Israeli Residency Visas for Minors Born in Israel with Only One Parent Registered as a Permanent Resident of Israel, under Regulation 12 of the Entry into Israel Regulations) and processing of applications for Israeli residency visas for minors born outside Israel with only one parent registered as a permanent resident of Israel (the procedure herein).**

D. The Law and Relevant Sections

- D.1. Entry into Israel Law 5712-1952.
- D.2. Entry into Israel Regulations 5734-1974.
- D.3. Citizenship and Entry into Israel Law (Temporary Order) 5763-2003.