

PROOF OF JUDAISM LETTER FOR ALIYAH APPLICATION

Acceptable Proof of Judaism is a letter from a recognized synagogue Rabbi, from a Rabbinical Organization in North America, confirming how the Rabbi knows of your Jewish lineage.

- The letter may be in either English or Hebrew (only).
- The letter must appear on official synagogue letterhead.
- It must state the name, location, and telephone number of the congregation
- It must include your full legal name (legal name as it appears on your birth certificate) and your parents' names and grandparents' names (where relevant).
- The letter must bear the Rabbi's signature, in ink. A digital signature is insufficient **AND** the Rabbi's name and title must appear on the letterhead.
- The letter must include the date it was written.
- This is required for all adults in the family making Aliyah.

If you are Jewish through your mother the letter must also:

- State that you were born to a Jewish mother.
- List both of your parents' legal names.

If you are Jewish through your father or grandfather the letter must also:

- State that you were born to a Jewish father or grandfather as relevant.
- List their legal names.

If you converted to Judaism:

- You will be required to submit additional documentation proving your completion of the conversion process.
- You will receive further instructions during the application process.

You **MAY** also be required, by the Jewish Agency, to provide a copy of any of the following documents - your mother or father's Birth Certificate, your parents' Marriage Certificate, and/or your grandparent's marriage certificate.



Israeli citizens may have additional options for the Proof of Judaism requirement.

Please contact your Jewish Agency for Israel Shaliach to discuss your options if you cannot obtain this letter.

Sample Proof of Judaism for Aliyah Application

Synagogue Letterhead

Name of Congregation/Synagogue
Address
Phone Number



Date: _____

To whom it may concern,

I know ___(FULL LEGAL NAME OF APPLICANT)___ son/daughter
of ___(PARENT'S NAME)___ and ___(PARENT'S NAME)___ is Jewish
and born to a Jewish mother.

Signed,
Rabbi's Signature
Rabbi First & Last Name
Title