

Citizenship Act, 1955

Section 8 - Renunciation of Citizenship

(1) If any citizen of India of full age and capacity, [2](#)[***], makes in the prescribed manner a declaration renouncing his Indian Citizenship, the declaration shall be registered by the prescribed authority, and, upon such registration, that person shall cease to be a citizen of India:

Provided that if any such declaration is made during any war in which India may be engaged, registration thereof shall be withheld until the Central Government otherwise directs.

(2) Where [1](#)[a person] ceases to be a citizen of India under sub-section (1) every minor child of that person shall thereupon cease to be a citizen of India:

Provided that any such child may, within one year after attaining full age, make a declaration [3](#)[in the prescribed form and manner] that he wishes to resume Indian citizenship and shall thereupon again become a citizen of India.

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1. Substituted by Act 39 of 1992, section 3, for "a male person" w.e.f. 10-12-1987.

2.Omitted by Citizenship Amdt Act, 2003 (6 of 2004) for the words " who is also a citizen or national of another country".

3.Inserted by Citizenship Amdt Act, 2003 (6 of 2004).

4.Sub-Section 3 Omitted by Citizenship Amdt Act, 2003 (6 of 2004) for the following:

"(3) For the purposes of this section, any woman who is, or has been, married shall be deemed to be of full age."
