

FORM No. 6

Rule 6

**CONSENT TO AN ADOPTION ORDER OR A PROVISIONAL ADOPTION ORDER
(GENERAL TITLE – FORM 1)**

Whereas an application is to be/has been made by
...../and..... [or under the serial number
.....]⁽¹⁾ for an adoption order/a provisional adoption order in respect of
.....⁽²⁾, a child;

[And whereas the child is the person to whom the birth certificate⁽³⁾ now produced and shown to me marked
“A” relates]⁽⁴⁾

I, the undersigned, of being⁽⁵⁾ the mother⁽⁶⁾/father⁽⁷⁾/guardian
of the child, hereby state as follows –

1. I understand that the effect of an adoption order will be to deprive me permanently of my rights as a
parent/guardian and to transfer them to the applicant(s) [or I understand that the effect of a provisional
adoption order will be to enable the applicant(s) to remove the child from Jersey for the purpose of adopting
the child abroad and to give the applicant(s) custody of the child pending the child’s adoption]; and in
particular I understand that, if an order is made, I shall have no right to see or get in touch with the child or
to have the child returned to me.

2. I further understand that the Court cannot make an adoption order without the consent of each parent
or guardian of the child unless the Court dispenses with a consent on the ground that the person concerned
has abandoned, neglected or persistently ill-treated the child, or cannot be found, or is incapable of giving
consent, or is unreasonably withholding consent or has persistently failed without reasonable cause to
discharge the obligations of a parent or guardian.

3. I further understand that, when the application for an adoption order is heard, this document may be
used as evidence of my consent to the making of the order unless I inform the Court that I no longer
consent⁽⁸⁾.

4. I hereby consent to the making of an adoption order/a provisional adoption order in pursuance of the
application [on condition that the religious persuasion in which the child is proposed to be brought up is
.....]⁽⁹⁾.

5. As far as I know, no other person or body has taken part in the arrangements for placing the child in
the care and possession of the applicant(s) [except
....., of]⁽¹⁰⁾

.....
(Signature)

This form, duly completed, was signed by the said
.....before me⁽¹¹⁾ at on the day of
....., 20

Signature
Address
Description

WARNING.

It is an offence to receive or give any reward or payment for, or in consideration of, the adoption of the
child or for giving consent to the making of an adoption order, other than a payment to an administration of
the States or a parochial authority for their expenses incurred in connection with the adoption.

Notes:

- (1) Insert either the name of the applicant or the serial number assigned to the applicant for the purposes of the application.
- (2) Insert the name(s) and surname as known to the consenting party.
- (3) If the child has previously been adopted, a certified copy of the entry in the Adopted Children Register should be attached and not a certified copy of the original entry in the Registers of Births; and the description of the consenting party should include the words "by adoption" where appropriate.
- (4) Delete the words in square brackets except where the consenting party is the mother or father of the child and the birth certificate has not already been identified by the other parent.
- (5) Delete all but one of the descriptions which follow.
- (6) The mother's consent cannot be given before the child is 6 weeks old.
- (7) "Father" does not include the natural father of an illegitimate child.
- (8) Notice will be given of the date of the hearing of the application by the Court. After the making of the application the consenting parent or guardian cannot remove the child from the care and possession of the applicant except with the leave of the Court.
- (9) Delete the words in square brackets if the applicant is named or if, although the applicant is not named, the consenting party does not desire to impose a condition as to religious upbringing.
- (10) Enter the name of any administration of the States, parochial authority or person who is known to have arranged, or to have taken part in the arrangements, for the child to be placed in the care and possession of the applicant.
- (11) In Jersey the document should be signed before a Jurat of the Royal Court, an advocate or solicitor of the Royal Court, a notary public or an officer of an administration of the States for which the Minister of Health and Social Services is assigned responsibility. Outside Jersey it should be signed before a person authorized to administer an oath for any judicial or legal purpose, a British consular officer, a notary public or, if the person signing it is serving in the armed forces, a commissioned officer.