

**THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE PROCESSED**

**ALABAMA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
DECLARATION OF CITIZENSHIP AND LAWFUL PRESENCE OF AN  
ALIEN FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS AND LICENSING/PERMITTING PROGRAMS**

Title IV of the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. § 1621, provides that, with certain exceptions, only United States citizens, United States non-citizen nationals, non-exempt “qualified aliens” (and sometimes only particular categories of qualified aliens), nonimmigrants, and certain aliens paroled into the United States are eligible to receive covered state or local public benefits.

With certain exceptions, Ala. Code §31-13-1, *et. seq.*, prohibits aliens unlawfully present in the U.S. from receiving state or local benefits. Every U.S. Citizen applying for a state or local public benefit must sign a declaration of Citizenship, and the lawful presence of an alien in the U.S. must be verified by the Federal Government.

Ala Code §31-13-1, *et. seq.*, also requires every individual applying for a permit or license to demonstrate his/her U.S. citizenship or if the applicant is an alien, he/she must demonstrate his/her lawful presence in the United States.

**Directions: This form must be completed and submitted by individuals applying for licenses or permits.**

**SECTION I – APPLICANT INFORMATION**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or Type) (Last) (First) (M.I.)

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION II – U. S. CITIZENSHIP OR NATIONAL STATUS**

Are you a citizen of the United States (check one) \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If you answered **YES**: (1) Provide an original (only in person at agency office) or legible copy of document from attached List A or other document that demonstrates U.S. citizenship or nationality and (2) Complete Section IV.

If you answered **NO**: Complete Sections III and IV.

Name of document provided: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION III – ALIEN STATUS**

Are you an alien lawfully present in the United States? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If you answered **YES**: (1) Provide an original (only in person at the agency office) or legible copy of the front and back (if any) of a document from attached List B or other document that demonstrates lawful presence in the United States. (2) Complete Section IV. Information from the documentation provided will be used to verify lawful presence through the United States Government.

If you answer **NO**: Complete Section IV.

Name of document provided: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION IV - DECLARATION**

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Alabama that the answers and evidence I provided are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

## PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP

Code of Alabama 1975, Section 31-13-29(g)

From Act 2012-491

- (1) A driver's license or nondriver's identification card issued by the Alabama Department of Public Safety or the equivalent governmental agency of another state within the United States, provided that the governmental agency of another state within the United States requires proof of lawful presence in the United States as a condition of issuance of the driver's license or nondriver's identification card.
- (2) A birth certificate indicating birth in the United States or one of its territories.
- (3) Pertinent pages of a United States valid or expired passport identifying the person and the person's passport number, or the person's United States passport.
- (4) United States naturalization documents of the number of the certificate of naturalization.
- (5) Other documents or methods of proof of United States citizenship issued by the federal government pursuant to the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, as amended.
- (6) Bureau of Indian Affairs card number, tribal treaty card number, or tribal enrollment number.
- (7) A consular report of birth abroad of a citizen of the United States of America.
- (8) A certificate of citizenship issued by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (9) A certification of report of birth issued by the United States Department of State.
- (10) An American Indian card, with KIC classification, issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security.
- (11) Final adoption decree showing the person's name and United States birthplace.
- (12) An official United States military record of service showing the applicant's place of birth in the United States.
- (13) An extract from a United States hospital record of birth created at the time of the person's birth indicating the place of birth in the United States.
- (14) AL-verity.
- (15) A valid Uniformed Services Privileges and Identification Card.
- (16) Any other form of identification that the Alabama Department of Revenue Authorizes, through an administrative rule promulgated pursuant to the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act, to be used to demonstrate or confirm a person's United States citizenship or lawful presence in the United States, provided that the identification requires proof of lawful presence in the United States as a condition of issuance.

**PROOF LAWFUL PRESENCE OF NON-CITIZEN**

Code of Alabama 1975, Section 31-13-3-(10) [ LawDesk]

- (1.) A valid, unexpired Alabama driver's license.
- (2.) A valid, unexpired Alabama nondriver's identification card.
- (3.) A valid tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification document bearing a photograph or other biometric identifier, if issued by an entity that requires proof of lawful presence in the United States before issuance.
- (4.) Any valid United States federal or state government issued identification document bearing a photograph or other biometric identifier, if issued by an entity that requires proof of lawful presence in the United States before issuance.
- (5.) A foreign passport with an unexpired United States Visa and a corresponding stamp or notation by the United States Department of Homeland Security indicating the bearer's admission to the United States.

A foreign passport issued by a visa waiver country with the corresponding entry stamp and unexpired duration of stay annotation or an I-94W form by the United States Department of Homeland Security indicating the bearer's admission to the United States.