PRIMARY ADOPTION CHECKLIST

<u>Note</u>: This checklist is offered only as a quick reference guide for adoption petitions. It is not legal advice. Petitioners are strongly encouraged to read and follow the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) relevant to the type of adoption they are seeking. Following the checklist does not guarantee the court will grant the petition. While the court makes every effort to update the ORS citations and relevant content, petitioners remain responsible for following current ORS. If you have questions or concerns about filing an adoption petition, you may contact our Adoption Clerk at 503-584-4744.

Case Number: Case Number Name: Child's Name Date: Date Filed

Child's Age: *Child's Age* Adoption Ceremony Requested: □ Yes □ No

Related Cases: Related Case Numbers

Adoption Clerk Notes: Clerk Notes

Complete a separate checklist for each child

This checklist is for all minor children except those subject to Fast Track (ORS 419B.529) or Foreign Adoptions. Use separate and specific checklists for those.

I. PETITION: ORS 109.276; ORS 109.285(1)

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	Signed by the petitioner(s) (notarization not required)	ORS 109.285(1)
	The full name of each petitioner	ORS 109.285(1)(a)
	☐ state of residency of the petitioner(s) and ☐ length of residency of the petitioner(s) in that state	ORS 109.285(1)(b)
	One of the following has been an Oregon resident for at least 6 months: □ petitioner(s) □ the child □ one parent □ person consenting to adoption (not an adoption agency)	ORS 109.285(1)(b) ORS 109.276(2)
	Current marital or domestic partnership status of the petitioner(s): ☐ married ☐ domestic partner ☐ single	ORS 109.285(1) (c)
	Explanatory statement as to why the petitioner(s) is/are of "sufficient ability to bring up the minor child and furnish suitable nurture and education" the child as required in ORS 109.350. <i>Examples (must meet two of those listed below):</i> □ employment of petitioner, such as employer and length of employment □ sufficiency of income □ type of residence and space for child □ ability to provide medical care □ plans for schooling □ success with other children, if any	ORS 109.285(1) (d)

Jurisdiction - one of the following has met:	ORS
\Box the minor child has resided in the state for at least six consecutive	109.285(1)(e)
months immediately prior to filing	ORS 109.276 (4)
\square one parent or another person consenting to adoption (not an	and (5)
adoption agency) has resided in the state for at least six consecutive	
months immediately prior to filing	
\square prospective adoptive parent resided in the state for six consecutive	
months and substantial evidence is available in this state concerning	
the present or future care of the child	
\Box it appears that no court of another state would have jurisdiction	
under circumstances substantially in accordance with the three prior options (listed above)	
\square a court of another state has declined to exercise jurisdiction on the	
grounds that this state is a more appropriate forum to hear a petition	
for adoption of the minor child and it is in the best interests of the	
minor child that a court of this state assume jurisdiction	ODG
Venue	ORS
□ county child has most significant connection with or	109.285(1)(e); ORS 109.276 (4)
\square county in which the licensed adoption agency is located	and (5)
Child:	ORS 109.285(1)(f)
☐ full name	
□ gender	
☐ date of birth	
□ place of birth	
Marital or domestic partnership status of the bio mom at (all 3):	ORS
conception: \square married \square DP \square single	109.285(1)(g)
date of birth: □ married □ DP □ single	, o () (o)
300 days prior to child's DOB: □ married □ DP □ single	
☐ statement that ICWA does not apply and	ORS
□ a finding that petitioner complied with inquiry under ORS 419B.636	109.285(1)(h)(A)a
OR	nd (B) and (C),
statement of the efforts to notify the appropriate Indian tribe or	419B.636(2)
tribes of the adoption; and	
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☐ statement of efforts to comply with the placement preferences	
of ICWA or appropriate Indian tribe <u>OR</u>	
☐ statement that under 419B.654(3) there is clear and	
convincing evidence to support alternative placement	
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Person who has given a release or surrender:	ORS
\square N/A	109.285(1)(i);
name	418.270
☐ relationship to child	
□ date of release or surrender	1

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Person(s) who gave consent:	ORS 109.285(1)(j)
□ parents of the child, or the survivor of them	
☐ guardian of the child, if the child has no living parent	
□ next of kin in Oregon, if child has no living parent, no guardian	
\square suitable person appointed by court to act as next friend of the child	
to give or withhold consent, if no one else to consent	
Must include:	
□ name	
□ relationship to the child	
☐ date consent was given	ODG
Person(s) or entity for whom consent is waived or not required:	ORS
	109.285(1)(k);
□ parent with a mental illness or disability	ORS 109.322, ORS 109.323,
☐ when custody of child has been awarded in divorce proceedings	ORS 109.323,
☐ parent has deserted or neglected the child	ORS 109.325,
\square DHS or approved child caring agency of this state	ORS 109.326,
☐ when husband of biological mom is not the father	ORS 109.327
□ organization outside Oregon (acting in loco parentis)	
Must include:	
□ name	
□ relationship to the child	
Person(s) who have signed/attested to written certificate of	ORS
irrevocability and waiver as provided in ORS 109.321 (2):	109.285(1)(L)
□ N/A	ORS 109.321
name	
☐ relationship to the child	
Statement of facts and circumstances under which petitioner(s)	ORS
obtained physical custody of the child, including	109.285(1)(m)
\Box date of placement with the petitioner for adoption, and	
□ name and	
\Box relationship to the minor child of the individual or entity placing the	
minor child with the petitioner(s)	ODC
\Box Length of time child in the physical custody of the petitioner(s); or	ORS 109.285(1)(n)
\Box if child not in physical custody of the petitioner(s) the reason why	109.205(1)(11)
and	
☐ date and manner in which the petitioner(s) will obtain custody of	
whether a continuing contact agreement evists under OPS 100 205	ODC
Whether a continuing contact agreement exists under ORS 109.305:	ORS
	109.285(1)(0)
yes, and	
names of the parties to the agreement and	
☐ date of execution	

Statement that notice about voluntary adoption registry and registry's services has been made (Independent Adoption only) $\square \ N/A$	ORS 109.285(1)(p); ORS 109.353
Statement that birth parent consenting to adoption received written notice of right to payment for three sessions of counseling. Exceptions: □ neither parent consented to adoption ORS 109.346(1) □ parent relinquished parental rights to DHS ORS 109.346(5)(a) □ step-parent adoption or adoption in which one parent retains parental rights ORS 109.346(5)(b) □ foreign adoption ORS 109.346(5)(c) □ child born in foreign country, adopted in Oregon, and whereabouts of parents unknown ORS 109.346(5)(d)	ORS 109.285(1)(q); ORS 109.346
Statement that information required by UCCJEA has been provided in the ASSIS under ORS 109.317	ORS 109.285(1)(r); ORS 109.701-ORS 109.834
Statement regarding the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children does not apply does apply, and statement of efforts undertaken to comply with the compact	ORS 109.285(1)(s)
Statement that current home study is/was completed waived waiver was requested	ORS 109.285(1)(t); ORS 109.276(7)
A declaration made under penalty of perjury that the petition, and the information and statements contained in the petition, are true to the best of the petitioner's knowledge and belief and that the petitioner(s) understand(s) the petition and information and statements contained in the petition, may be used as evidence in court and are subject to penalty for perjury.	ORS 109.285(1)(u)
Must request entry of a general judgment of adoption	ORS 109.285(2)(a)
Must request that petitioner(s) be permitted to adopt child as the child of the petitioner(s) for all legal intents and purposes	ORS 109.285(2)(b)
Must request finding that the court has jurisdiction over adoption, parties, and the minor child	ORS 109.285(2)(c)

	Must request the following regarding the biological parents:	ORS
	Mother:	109.285(2)(d)
	□ parental rights were previously terminated	
	□ parental rights to be terminated by adoption or;	
	\Box parental rights to be retained (EG step-parent or same sex adoptive	
	parents)	
	Father:	
	□ non-paternity	
	☐ parental rights were previously terminated	
	□ parental rights to be terminated by adoption	
	\square parental rights to be retained (EG step- parent or same sex adoptive	
	parents)	
	Must request approval of a change to the minor child's name	ORS
	□ N/A	109.285(2)(e)
	Must request finding that a continuing contact agreement (CCA)	ORS
	entered into:	109.285(2)(f);
	\square N/A	ORS 109.268
	\square is in the best interests of the child and	
	\square if the minor child is 14 years old+ the child has consented to the	
	CCA, and	
	□ court incorporate the CCA by reference into adoption judgment	
	Must request that court require preparation of and certify a report of	ORS
	adoption as provided in ORS 432.223	109.285(2)(g)
	Must request that all records, papers and files in the record of the	ORS
	adoption case be sealed as provided under ORS 109.319	109.285(2)(h)
	Must specify any other relief requested by the petitioner(s)	ORS
	□ N/A	109.285(2)(i)
	If petition is missing any required information, there must be	ORS 109.285(1)
	information or a statement why the information has been omitted.	
	\square N/A	
REQ	QUIRED EXHIBITS TO THE PETITION: ORS 109.285(3)	
	Any written release or surrender of the minor child for adoption, or a	ORS
	written disclaimer of parental rights	109.285(3)(a)
	\square N/A	109.200(3)(a)
	Any written consent to the adoption	ORS
	\square N/A	109.285(3)(b)
	Any certificate of irrevocability and waiver	
	□ N/A	ORS
	Any continuing contact agreement under ORS 109.305	109.285(3)(c)
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ORS
		109.285(3)(d)
	The written disclosure statement required under ORS 109.311; (the financial disclosure statement)	ORS
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	Any other supporting documentation necessary to comply with the petition requirements in this section and ORS 109.309 \square N/A	ORS 109.285(3)(f)
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SERVICE OF PETITION: ORS 109.285(5)

Within 30 days after filing petition with the court, petitioner(s) shall serve DHS by registered or certified mail with return receipt requested,	ORS 109.285(5)(a)
or by personal service, with:	109.205(5)(a)
☐ Petition	
□ Exhibits	
\square Adoption Summary and Segregated Information Statement	
including exhibits	
If one of the child's biological or adoptive parents retains parental	ORS
rights, service by registered or certified mail with return receipt	109.285(5)(b)
requested, or by personal service on:	, , , , ,
\square N/A	
\square all persons whose consent is required by ORS 109.321 unless the	
person's consent is filed with the court	
\square on the parents of the party whose parental rights would be	
terminated, if the names and addresses are known to or readily	
ascertainable by the petitioner	
When a parent of the child is deceased or incapacitated (defined like	ORS
guardianship); must serve petition on the parents of the deceased or	109.285(5)(c)
incapacitated parent, if the names and addresses are known to or readily ascertainable by the petitioner	
\square N/A	
If the child is an Indian child, within 30 days service on	
\Box each tribe of which the child may be a member or have eligibility for	ORS 109.285 (5)
membership	(A)
☐ child's parents	
☐ the child's Indian custodian	
☐ US Bureau of Indian Affairs Regional Director	
Service required by this subsection is waived by the court for good cause.	ORS
□ N/A	109.285(5)(e)
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□ yes	
no	
Reason: Reason service not required	

II. ADOPTION SUMMARY AND SEGREGATED INFORMATION STATEMENT: ORS 109.287 An Adoption Summary and Segregated Information Statement ("ASSIS") must be filed concurrently with petition.

Each petitioner:	ORS 109.287
□ full name	(1)(a)
\square address	
□ phone number	
Child:	ORS 109.287
□ current full name	(1)(b)
□ proposed adoptive name	
☐ date of birth	
□ place of birth	
Person(s) who gave consent:	ORS 109.287
\square N/A	(1)(c)
\square parents of the child, or the survivor of them	
\square guardian of the child, if the child has no living parent	
☐ next of kin in Oregon, if child has no living parent, no guardian	
☐ suitable person appointed by court to act as next friend of the child	
to give or withhold consent, if no one else to consent	
Must include:	
□ name □ address □ telephone number	
Person(s) or entity for whom consent is waived or not required:	ORS 109.287
\square N/A	(1)(d)
\square parent with a mental illness or disability	
\square when custody of child has been awarded in divorce proceedings	
□ parent has deserted or neglected the child	
☐ DHS or approved child caring agency of this state	
\square when husband of biological mom is not the father	
☐ organization outside Oregon (acting in loco parentis)	
Must include:	
□ name □ relationship to the child	
Information required by the UCCJEA. ORS 109.701 to ORS 109.834	ORS 109.287
Adoption against that will be consenting on has consented to the	(1)(f)
Adoption agency that will be consenting, or has consented, to the adoption:	ORS 109.287 (1)(g)
\square N/A	(1)(8)
□ name	
□ address	
☐ telephone number	
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□ N/A □ name □ address □ bar number □ telephone number Attorney representing person whose consent is required:		
□ address □ bar number □ telephone number		
☐ bar number ☐ telephone number		
□ telephone number		
\square N/A		
□ name		
\square address		
☐ bar number		
☐ telephone number		
☐ Indication of the type of adoption: ORS 109.287	287	7
\square private agency adoption, whether domestic or international (1)(i)		
☐ nonrelated independent adoption		
☐ re-adoption in a foreign nation under ORS 109.385		
☐ relative independent adoption		
☐ stepparent independent adoption		
☐ an independent adoptionone petitioner retains parental rights		
□ out-of-state public agency adoption		
☐ an adoption in which DHS consents under ORS 109.325		
☐ Other (specify): <i>other type</i>		
REQUIRED EXHIBITS TO THE ASSIS: ORS 109.287		
Home study or written evidence that home study has been approved or ORS 109.287	287	7
DHS waiver (2)(a);	076	
☐ Report of adoption on a form prescribed and furnished by the State ORS 109.276 ORS 109.276		
Registrar of the Center for Health Statistics as required under ORS (2)(b)	20/	,
432.223		
☐ Medical history of the child and of the biological parents as required ORS 109.287	 287	7
under ORS 109.342 (Not required for step-parent ORS 109.342) (2)(c)	•	
\square N/A		
☐ Must amend the ASSIS if any information changes prior to judgment ORS 109.287 (4)	287	7 (4)
(Require amendment if a change is apparent from the file)		
Note: ASSIS and exhibits are confidential. Must be segregated in file and may not be inspected or copied		
except as provided under ORS 109.305-ORS 109.410 or ORS 109.425-ORS 109.507. ORS 109.317(5)	(5)	
III. CONSENTS AND SUBSTITUTES FOR BIOLOGICAL FATHER: ORS 109.301		
Deceased ORS 109.301	.301	1
(1)(a)	J	
☐ Consent filed with the court or included in petition ORS 109.301	301	
(1)(a)		

	Parental rights terminated:	ORS 109.325(b),
	☐ certified copy of court order permanently committing child to	(c),
	agency's jurisdiction; and	ORS 109.324(4)
	□ written formal consent by the department or agency	
	Surrendered child for adoption:	ORS
	□ copy of the parent's consent to the surrender; and	109.325(1)(a), (c)
	□ written formal consent by the department or agency	ORS 109.324(4)
	Consent by agency, public or private, located outside of the state of	ORS 109.327(1)
	Oregon:	ORS 109.327(2)
	□ certified copy of court order or	
	□ consent from parent that authorizes agency to give consent under	
	the law of the other jurisdiction; and	
	☐ written consent of the agency, showing that sufficient and	
	satisfactory investigation of the adopting parties has been made	
	When a parent does not consent to the Adoption, petitioner must serve	ORS 109.330;
	the parent with:	ORS 109.330(6)
	□ order to show cause	
	\square summons served, and	
	□ parent fails to file response in 30 days	
	☐ Court order that consent is not required	ORS 109.322,ORS
_	= court order that consent is not required	109.324
	Statement that putative father has received notice of the adoption OR	ORS 109.096
	notice is not required because (all 3 required):	
	□ paternity not established	
	□ verified statement of mother or petitioner; or affidavit of other	
	person with knowledge; that father has not resided with the child in the	
	last 60 days or tried to contribute to child's support within the past	
	year	
	\square statement from petitioner that the notice of the initiation of filiation	
	proceedings was not on file with the Center for Health Statistics of the	
	Oregon Health Authority prior to the child being placed in physical	
	custody of petitioner or prior to the initiation of the proceeding	
	IV CONCENSES AND CHROSTOPICE FOR DIOLOGICAL MOSTUPE, ORGANI	0.001
	IV. CONSENTS AND SUBSTITUTES FOR BIOLOGICAL MOTHER: ORS 10	
	Deceased	ORS 109.301 (1)(a)
	Consent filed with the court or included in petition	ORS 109.301
Ш	Consent fried with the court of included in petition	(1)(a)
	Parental rights terminated:	ORS 109.325(b),
	□ certified copy of court order permanently committing child to	(c),
	agency's jurisdiction; and	ORS 109.324(4)
	□ written formal consent by the department or agency	0110 10 910 11 (T)
	Surrendered child for adoption:	ORS
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109.325(1)(a), (c) ORS 109.324(4)

 \square copy of the parent's consent to the surrender; **and**

 \square written formal consent by the department or agency

Surrendered child for adoption:

	4191.030 (2) and, it applicable Old 4191.039 (2).	109.2/0(2)(a)
	Court order indicating that petitioner satisfied the requirements of ORS 419B.636 (2) and, if applicable ORS 419B.639 (2).	ORS 109.278(2)(a)
	☐ yes - If juvenile case appears, check with assigned judge to make sure OK to complete the adoption	
	□ none □ ves - If juvenile case appears, check with assigned judge to make	
	Odyssey checked (statewide) to make sure no juvenile cases pending.	
	☐ DHS waives remainder of 90-day period	
_	\square 90 days have passed since service on DHS, or), , , , , ,
	Check to see that a judgment can be entered because:	ORS 109.276 (10)
	ICWA compliance report received from DHS	ORS 109.278
	DHS may designate an Oregon licensed adoption agency to do the placement report	(8)(a)
	VI. OTHER REQUIREMENTS: Placement report or waiver of placement report by DHS.	ORS 109.276
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	court to give or withhold consent	
	\Box if no guardian or next of kin, a suitable person appointed by the	(1) (d)
	☐ if no guardian, next of kin in this state	(c) ORS 109.301
	□ guardian	ORS 109.301 (1)
	\square N/A	(b)
	If no living parent, need consent from one of the following:	ORS 109.301 (1)
	☐ child, if 14 years of age or older ☐ N/A	OKS 109.326
	V. MISCELLANEOUS CONSENTS AND SUBSTITUTES: ORS 109.301	ORS 109.328
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		109.324
	☐ Court order that consent is not required	ORS 109.322,ORS
	□ parent fails to file response in 30 days	
	□ summons served, and	
	□ order to show cause	010 109.330(0)
	When a parent does not consent to the Adoption, petitioner must serve the parent with:	ORS 109.330; ORS 109.330(6)
	satisfactory investigation of the adopting parties has been made	ODC 100 000
	□ written consent of the agency, showing that sufficient and	
	the law of the other jurisdiction; and	
	□ consent from parent that authorizes agency to give consent under	
	\square certified copy of court order or	
	Oregon:	ORS 109.327(2)
	Consent by agency, public or private, located outside of the state of	ORS 109.327(1)



DID THE PARTIES REQUEST AN ADOPTION CEREMONY?

VII. REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGMENT:

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	Must be a General Judgment of Adoption	ORS
		109.285(2)(a)
	Must order that petitioner(s) is/are permitted to adopt child as the	ORS
	child of the petitioner(s) for all legal intents and purposes	109.285(2)(b)
	Must indicate a finding that the court has jurisdiction over adoption,	ORS
	parties, and the minor child	109.285(2)(c)
	Must state that the requirements of ICWA have been satisfied, if ICWA	ORS 109.350
	applies	
	□ N/A	
	Must indicate what happens for each biological parents rights:	ORS
	Mother:	109.285(2)(d)
	□ parental rights were previously terminated	
	□ parental rights to be terminated by adoption or;	
	☐ parental rights to be retained (EG step-parent or same sex adoptive	
	parents)	
	Father:	
	□ non-paternity	
	□ parental rights were previously terminated	
	□ parental rights to be terminated by adoption	
	parental rights to be retained (EG step- parent or same sex adoptive	
	parents)	
	Must request the change to the minor child's name	ORS
_	\square N/A	109.285(2)(e)
	Must include a finding that a continuing contact agreement (CCA)	ORS
	entered into:	109.285(2)(f);
	\square N/A	ORS 109.268
	\square is in the best interests of the child and	
	☐ if the minor child is 14 years old+, the child has consented to the	
	CCA, and	
	□ court incorporate the CCA by reference into adoption judgment	
	Must request that the court require preparation of and certify a report	ORS
	of adoption as provided in ORS 432.415	109.285(2)(g)
	Must request all records, papers and files in the record of the adoption	ORS
_	case be sealed	109.285(2)(h)
	Any other relief requested by petitioner(s)	ORS
	\square N/A	109.285(2)(i)
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	VIII. POST JUDGMENT ADOPTION CLERK ACTIONS:	T
	Name added as NKA on the Parties Tab	

☐ Judgment entered and notice sent

Case closed	
Courtesy certified copy of judgment sent to the pro se petitioner or	
attorney	
Adoption report filled out, sealed and sent to Vital Stats with a certified	
copy of the judgment	
Form 1216 filled out, sealed and sent to DHS with a certified copy of the	
judgment	
Remove any pending time standards	