

NAME CHANGE OF MINOR CHILD PACKET



IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WYANDOTTE NATION

Wyandotte Nation Courts
64700 E Hwy 60
Wyandotte, Ok 74370

Court Clerk Phone: 918-678-6342
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The forms in this packet are to be used as a template, if you are seeking to file a Name Change of a Minor Child. Please read the instructions carefully before completing the forms. The Court Clerk CANNOT accept a Petition that is not filled out completely.

Should you need assistance in preparing the Petition, you must consult with an Attorney at your own expense. This court does not have Legal Aid. The Court Clerk is prohibited by Ethical Code and Court Rules to provide legal advice and help parties prepare or type court documents. Different situations may require special procedures and the Court Clerk CANNOT advise you on how to proceed or what forms may be necessary in specific situations.

Packet contains:

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2. Petition
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WYANDOTTE NATION

INSTRUCTIONS

PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE OF MINOR CHILD

IMPORTANT INFORMATION-PLEASE READ!

1. Petition for Name Change of Minor Child must be filled out completely to the best of your knowledge and ability.
2. Petition for Name Change of Minor Child must be signed in front of the Court Clerk or a Notary Public when you are ready to file.
3. Filing fees, copy fees, etc., must be made in the form of **CASH, CASHIER’S CHECK, MONEY ORDER, DEBIT/CREDIT CARD OR E-CHECK (there is a processing fee when using a debit/credit card or e-check)** and must be payable to **“Wyandotte Nation Courts”**. Filing fees **MUST** be paid at the time of filing your Petition. If you are unsure of the amount of filing fees, contact the Court Clerk.
4. Submit original Petition for Name Change of Minor Child and one (1) copy of the Petition for the non-petitioning parent, if the non-petitioning parent did not submit the Entry of Appearance and Waiver, and one (1) copy for you, if you would like a copy for your records. If the Court Clerk makes any copies, you will be charged \$1.00 for the first page and \$.50 for each additional page.
5. The non-petitioning parent has to be noticed by either signing an Entry of Appearance and Waiver or served a Summons that the Court Clerk will issue with the date of the hearing.
6. Court Clerk will issue Notice by Publication with date of hearing. You will take Notice of Publication to the Newspaper to be published and bring back proof of publication, once it has ran in the paper, to be filed with the Court Clerk.

FILING FEES-NAME CHANGE OF MINOR CHILD **FEE**

Petition for Name Change of Minor Child	\$60.00
Summons/Service Fee (Certified Mail)	\$Per USPS
Summons/Service Fee (Tribal PD)	\$30.00
Summons/Service Fee (Process Server)	\$Actual Cost

THE PUBLICATION FEE IS CHARGED BY THE PUBLISHER WHEN YOU TAKE IT TO GET PUBLISHED AT THE NEWSPAPER

**OFFICE HOURS: 8:00AM-12:00PM and 1:00PM-4:30PM, MONDAY-THURSDAY
8:00AM-12:00PM and 1:00PM-3:30PM FRIDAY**

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6. That the Petitioner is the _____ (relationship) of the minor child whose name is sought to be changed.
7. That the minor child's biological mother's full name, including maiden name is _____ and her address is _____ (city, state & zip).
- The minor child's biological mother IS a resident of the Wyandotte Nation Reservation. (check if applies)
- She is an enrolled citizen of the Wyandotte Nation
- She is an enrolled citizen of the _____ Tribe
- She is non-Indian
8. That the minor child's biological father's full name is _____ and his address is _____ (city, state & zip).
- The minor child's biological father IS a resident of the Wyandotte Nation Reservation. (check if applies)
- He is an enrolled citizen of the Wyandotte Nation
- He is an enrolled citizen of the _____ Tribe
- He is non-Indian
- Biological father is unknown and not listed on the Birth Certificate
9. That the Petitioner does not seek to change the minor child's name for any illegal or fraudulent purpose.
10. That the Petitioner seeks to change the minor child's name for the following reason:
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
11. That the Petitioner seeks to change the minor child's name from _____ (full legal name) to _____ (name requested).

WHEREFORE, the Petitioner prays that the name of the minor child be changed as requested in this Petition and that a hearing be set on this matter as soon as the Court deems necessary.

Petitioner (Sign)
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Telephone _____
Email _____

VERIFICATION

I, _____, being first duly sworn to tell the truth and being of lawful age above 18 years of age, hereby states that I have prepared and read the foregoing Petition for Name Change of Minor Child and verify that all of the factual allegations contained in this Petition are in fact true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, **UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY.**

Petitioner

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 20__.

Court Clerk/Deputy or Notary Public

SEAL

Commission Expires: _____



WYANDOTTE NATION DISTRICT COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
NAME CHANGE OF:)
_____,)
DOB: _____;)
MINOR CHILD)
By and Through Next Friend;)
_____;)
Petitioner,)

CASE NO: _____

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AND WAIVER

COMES NOW, I, the non-petitioning parent of _____, the undersigned, and acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Petition for Name Change of Minor Child filed and, states that he/she has read and understands the same, enters a voluntary appearance in this cause and submits to the jurisdiction of the Wyandotte Nation, hereby waives my right to the name change of the above-named minor child in favor of the Petitioner, _____. I respectfully pray that the Court will change the name of the minor child. Should I have objections to the name change of the above-named minor child, I am aware that I have the right to appear in Court to make objections known and I waive that right.

Dated this ___ day of _____, 20 ____.

Signature

Please print your name & address:

Telephone: _____

SHOULD YOU AGREE TO SIGN THIS WAIVER, PLEASE SIGN IN FRONT OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR COURT CLERK AND RETURN TO THIS OFFICE EITHER BY MAIL OR IN PERSON.

State of Oklahoma;)
County of _____)

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, came _____ this ___ day of _____, 20 ____, to me known to be the identical person who executed the above and foregoing Entry of Appearance and Waiver, and personally acknowledged to me that he/she has read, understood, and signed the same, and that he/she executed the same as his/her free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth. IN WITNESS THEREOF I have hereunto affixed my signature and official seal the date heretofore state.

SEAL

NOTARY PUBLIC

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS ___ DAY OF _____ 20 ____.

COURT CLERK/DEPUTY



WYANDOTTE NATION DISTRICT COURT

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Take notice that _____, by and through next friend, _____, has filed in the Wyandotte Nation Court a Petition for Name Change of Minor Child in case number _____ to have his/her name changed as follows:

_____ to that of _____

and that the same will be heard by the Tribal Court of the Wyandotte Nation, Wyandotte, Oklahoma, on the ____ day of _____, 20 ____, at ____:____ a.m./p.m., and that any person may file a written protest in this case prior to the date set for the hearing.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

SEAL

Court Clerk/Deputy Court Clerk
Wyandotte Nation