

COUNTDOWN: Apply for spanish citizenship under the Grandchildren law

Are you the child or grandchild of a Spanish national? If you are, you may be eligible to obtain Spanish nationality without residing in Spain and without any exam.

The Ley de Memoria Democrática, also known as the Spanish Grandchildren law, provides for the children and grandchildren of originally Spanish nationals to apply for Spanish nationality on the back of their ancestors.

The process involves making an application before the Spanish Consulate corresponding to the applicant's place of residence. It is important to note that this law will be in force until the 21st of October 2024. although the law itself establishes the possibility of being extended for one more year, It is only an expectation.

Therefore, it is essential to file applications before the deadline to benefit from this opportunity to acquire Spanish nationality without residing in Spain and without renouncing to the nationality the applicant currently holds.

Who is eligible to apply for spanish nationality under the Grandchildren law?

1. Children and grandchildren of of Spanish mother, father or grandparent who are considered, under the Spanish regulation, originally Spanish. .

2. The daughters and sons of Spaniards whose nationality of origin was recognised by virtue of the right of option in accordance with the Historical Memory Law (Seventh Additional Provision of Law 52/2007 of December 26) or of the present Democratic Memory Law.
3. Spaniards born outside of Spain to Spanish women who lost their Spanish nationality by marrying a foreign citizen before the entry into force of the Spanish Constitution of 1978.

Finally, this law has provisions for those who are already Spanish nationals and would like to upgrade their nationality to a Spanish nationality for a of origin. If you have a Spanish birth certificate, it would be worth it to review the marginal notes about how you obtained your Spanish nationality to confirm if you are eligible.

Scornik Gerstein LLP has successfully assisted Spanish descendants in the process to reclaim their Spanish nationality under this law. If you would like to assess your circumstances, please contact us.