

Hennepin County Adoption Information

This document is not intended to be an exhaustive list of court documents needed in order for an adoption to finalize. Additional documents may be required for your case to proceed to finalization based on the circumstances of your individual case.

IR-3 Adoptions (International)	IR-4 Adoptions (International)	Adult Adoptions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petition • Decree • Foreign documents with English translation including foreign birth certificate and adoption decree • Copy of child's Passport • Copy of child's Visa showing IR-3 Status • Certificate of Adoption • Birth Certificate Application • Filing fee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petition • Decree • Foreign documents with English translation including foreign birth certificate • Copy of child's Passport • Copy of child's Visa showing IR-4 Status • Certificate of Adoption • Birth Certificate Application • Adam Walsh Background Check • Home Study • Report to Court from Agency • Consent of Agency • Statement of Expenses • Filing fee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petition • Decree • Certified copy of Child's Birth Certificate • Consent of Child, if 14 years of age or older • Adoptee's list of assets • Certificate of Adoption • Birth Certificate Application • Filing fee
<p>Agency Adoptions</p>	<p>Step/Co-Parent Adoptions - Adoption forms can be found on the www.mncourts.gov under Court Forms/Adoption</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petition • Decree • Certified copy of Child's Birth Certificate • Consent of Child, if 14 years of age or older • Certificate of Adoption • Birth Certificate Application • Consent OR Termination OR Death Certificate • Father's Adoption Registry • Home Study OR Waiver • Report to Court from Agency • Consent of Agency • Statement of Expenses • Adam Walsh Background Check • Filing fee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petition • Decree • Certified copy of Child's Birth Certificate • Consent of Child, if 14 years of age or older • Certificate of Adoption • Birth Certificate Application • Consent OR Termination OR Death Certificate • Father's Adoption Registry • Home Study OR Waiver • Adam Walsh Background Check • Step-parent/Co-parent Checklist • Filing fee 	

Certificates of Adoption, Birth Certificate Applications and Fathers Adoption Registry Information can be found on the Minnesota Department of Health's website www.health.state.mn.us
Adam Walsh Background Check Forms for Step/Co-parent adoptions can be obtained through Hennepin County Juvenile Court – Adoption Unit at (612)596-7112 once your petition has been filed