

Registering your baby

The loss of a baby is a devastating event. We offer our sincere condolences and know that the weeks and months ahead will be a difficult time for you.



Registering your baby's birth

If your baby was born alive, or if your baby was stillborn (born after 20 weeks' gestation or weighing more than 400g), their birth needs to be registered with the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages. Please be aware that the hospital doesn't register your baby for you.

It doesn't cost anything to register a birth.

Registering your baby's birth ensures they will be remembered forever in Queensland's records.

You will also be able to buy a birth certificate to commemorate your baby if you wish to do so.

Registering online

The simplest way to register your baby's birth is online, at www.qld.gov.au/births. Only one parent needs to complete the online form, and it usually takes less than 20 minutes.

The parent filling in the online form will need to provide **two forms of identification (ID)**, such as a driver licence, Medicare card, passport, or birth / citizenship / marriage certificate.

If you don't have ID, unfortunately you won't be able to register your baby's birth online, but you can register **by post or in person**.

Registering by post or in person

To register your baby's birth by post or in person, you will need to complete a birth registration form. You can either print a copy of this form from our website, or call us on **13 74 68**, so we can post one out to you.

Both parents need to sign the form and have another adult witness your signatures.

Once complete, you can either post the form to us:

- **Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages**
PO Box 15188 CITY EAST QLD 4002

or bring it in to us in person:

- **Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages**
Level 32, 180 Ann Street, Brisbane;
or
- at your local courthouse or a Queensland Government Agent Program (QGAP) office (except the Brisbane Magistrates Court).

Contact the Registry

- Web: www.qld.gov.au/births
- Call: **13 QGOV (13 74 68)**
(lines open Mon–Fri, 8.30am–4.30pm)
- Email: bdm-mail@justice.qld.gov.au