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ATTENTION! APPLICANT MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION	NAME (Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.): _____
	IMMIGRATION FILE NO.: _____ WORK PERMIT NO.: _____ <small>(Immigration no. MUST be included.)</small>
	SOCIAL SECURITY NO.: _____
	POSTAL ADDRESS: _____
	CONTACT INFORMATION (TELEPHONE): (HOME) _____
	(WORK) _____ (CELL): _____
	(EMAIL) _____

GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETING AN APPLICATION FOR BELONGER STATUS

ONLY applications from persons with Residence Status for 12 months or more, and persons who are married to Virgin Islanders or Belongers for 5 or more years and are *‘‘ordinarily resident in the Territory with his or her spouse’’, are eligible for consideration of Belonger Status.

*Immigration and Passport Ordinance CAP.130; Section 16(5)

Applicant **MUST** submit the following with the application for Belonger Status in the Virgin Islands to the Immigration Department:

1. Two (2) passport size photographs.
2. One (1) **original local** police certificate.
3. **Original** or **certified copy** of your Birth Certificate.
4. **Original** or **certified copy** of Marriage Certificate *(if applicable)*.
5. Copy of annual Entry Permit Stamp *(if applying by marriage ONLY)*.
6. Evidence that your spouse is a BVIlander/Belonger (i.e. **copy** of profile page and Governor’s Seal in passport; **copy** of Virgin Islands Belonger’s Card; or **copy** of Naturalization Certificate (granted before 15th June 2007), and copy of this document must be accompanied by a copy of picture ID.
7. **Copy** of your Certificate of Residence or Residence identification card *(if applicable)*.
8. A job letter as proof that you can support yourself and your dependents.
9. Two (2) letters of reference from **BVIlanders** or **Belongers**, aged 25 or older who have known you for at least five (5) years and are not Members of the House of Assembly. **Proof that referees are BVIlanders or Belongers MUST be attached**, (i.e. copy of ID page of passport along with copy of Governor’s Seal in passport, or copy of BVI birth certificate, or copy of Belonger’s Card).
10. A letter of reference from **local** bank stating the **current balance** on your account as well as the **average balance for the past six (6) months**.
11. **Certified copies** of your academic/professional qualification(s) *(if applicable)*.
12. **Copy** of Trade Licence *(if applicable)*.
13. **Copy** of Non-Belongers Land Holding Licence and Land Transfer *(if applicable)*.

COMPLETION OF APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

14. Applicant **MUST** complete **ALL** questions on the form attached hereto. The form **MUST** be signed by the applicant. The form **MUST** be notarized (by a Notary Public, Commissioner of Oaths, or Justice of Peace in the Territory). The form **MUST** be returned with this page attached.

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GOVERNMENT OF THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

FORM III

Reg. 8

Application for a Certificate that a Person Belongs to the Virgin Islands

1. Date of first arrival in Virgin Islands.....
2. Name of person (in block letters).....
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3. Country of which applicant is now a citizen.....
4. Nationality at birth.....
5. Religious denomination.....
6. Place and date of birth.....
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7. If naturalized, state where and when.....
8. Citizenship of father.....
9. Citizenship of mother.....
10. Name of wife or (husband).....
11. Citizenship and place of birth of wife (or husband).....
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12. Particulars of children as follows:-

Name	Age	Sex	Citizenship	Country of Birth

13. Passport Number, date and place of issue.....
14. Date passport expires.....
15. Details of periods of residence in Virgin Islands.....
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16. Present Address.....

17. Character references (Names and addresses of at least two).....
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18. Financial reference.....
19. Present Occupation.....
20. Normal Occupation (if not as above).....
21. Is it desire to enter into business or take up employment?.....
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22. If the answer to the above is in the affirmative, give full particulars.
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23. Does the applicant own his/her own home in the Virgin Islands?
(Note it is immaterial whether or not subject to mortgage).
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24. Does the applicant own a home elsewhere, if so give particulars.
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25. Has the applicant any other investments in the Virgin Islands?
Particulars if these will assist the Board.....
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26. Has the applicant been convicted by the courts? If so, details should
be provided.....
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27. Is the applicant now or has he been a member of any civic or
charitable organization in the Virgin Islands? If so give
particulars.....
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28. Any other information which the applicant considers may be of
assistance to the Board may be given.....
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I, _____ (the above named applicant) hereby
(Print name)
declare that it is my intention to make my permanent home within the Virgin
Islands and that I have abandoned any intention of resuming my former
domicile and that the foregoing particulars are correct and true.

(Applicant's signature)

Dated the _____ day of _____ 20_____.

Declared before me this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

(Signature)
Notary Public/Justice of the Peace/Commissioner of Oaths

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From Chief Immigration Officer to Board on _____

From Board to Cabinet on _____

From Cabinet to Governor on _____

Permit or Refusal issued on _____