



Adoption Home Study Checklist

Documents

- Autobiographical statement
- Parenting plan statement
- Driver's license(s)
- Birth certificate(s) of everyone who lives in your home
- Marriage certificate if applicable
- Divorce decree(s) if applicable
- Military discharge(s) if applicable
- Past adoption decree(s) if applicable
- Green card(s) if applicable
- Financial information
 - Latest income tax return
 - Proof of insurance: (home, health, life, auto)
 - Verification of employment (most recent pay stub, letter from your employer, or a statement stating that you are not working)
- Physician statement(s) of health status
- Passport(s) if adopting internationally
- Pet vaccination records if applicable

Clearances

- Criminal background check
- Child abuse and neglect clearances for every state/country you've lived in for at least the past 5 years (if applicable - depends on country you are adopting from)
- FBI clearance
- Sex offender clearance

Household Items and Safety Considerations

- First-aid kit
- Working carbon monoxide detector
- Working smoke detectors on every floor and near or in the child's room

- Medications, vitamins, cleaning products, other toxic substances out of child's reach
- Screen covering a fireplace or wood stove
- Covered kitchen trash
- Fire extinguisher near the cooking area of the home
- Covered outlets
- Gates for stairs
- Windows have secure screens and locks
- Household heating equipment has appropriate safeguards
- Fencing around swimming pool or pools of water
- Hot tub has a locked top
- Emergency telephone numbers visible
- Evacuation floor plans available
- Firearms in locked container with ammunition stored in a separate locked container

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