

Oregon Birth Certificates: Which Type Should You Select?

There are two types of birth certificates issued from Oregon Vital Records:

- Computer Issued Certificate - \$25 (also called Short form)
- Full Image Birth Certificate - \$30 (also called Long form)



If you submit your order online, by phone, or in person, the system will automatically determine whether you need a computer issued or full image certificate.



(Based on what year the person on the record was born and the reason you state for needing the certificate such as school enrollment or dual citizenship.) For a few reason options, it will ask you to make a selection, but most are predetermined.



If ordering by Mail or by Drop Box, the following information will help you decide which certificate(s) to select on the paper application.



When was child on record born?

Before 2008

You have a choice between:

**Full
Image**

These are copies of the original paper or microfilm birth record from the hospital or amended birth record.

Order the full image certificate if you:

- Want all the details of the birth record
- Plan to use the birth certificate outside the U.S.
- Need to get an authentication document from the Oregon Secretary of State (apostille)
- Need more detailed info for genealogy research

Works for all legal needs.

**Computer
Issued**

For those born before 2008, computer issued birth certificates include **LIMITED** information from the birth record:

- Full name of child
- Date of birth
- Sex of child
- Full names of parents

Works for most legal needs such as:

- School enrollment
- School sports
- Driver's license
- Documentation for cruises
- Passport application (If changes have been made to your birth record, submit the full image birth certificate when applying for a passport.)

2008 to Present

You MUST order the:

**Computer
Issued**

For those born in 2008 or later, computer issued birth certificates include **ALL** the data filed at the time of birth including the following:

- Full name of child
- Date of birth
- Sex of child
- Time of birth
- Name of hospital or birth facility
- Full names of parents
- Parents' dates of birth / ages
- Mother's address
- Certifier Signature

Works for all legal needs.