

Filling Out the DS-2029 Form

Download and complete the [Application for a Consular Report of Birth Abroad \(DS-2029\) \(PDF\)](#). If after reading the instruction pages you still need guidance please follow these key points that will help:

- Last name / Surname of applicant. The name used on the CRBA must be the same as that on the birth certificate. However, we understand that the naming practices outside the U.S. are different. In Ecuador the law dictates that the person must be registered with two last names, patronymic and matronymic, but the parents may desire to register the applicant with only one last name. If this is the case, please fill out the DS-2029 form with only one last name, and when you come to the Consular Section we will have you fill out an affidavit regarding the use of only one last name.
- Full Name and all previous legal names used (of parents). Use the names as they appear on the ID that you are going to use when you apply. If you have used any other first, middle, or last names, such as maiden or matronymic names, please fill out the form accordingly.
- Mailing address. The CRBA will not be sent by mail, this address is just for information purposes. You can enter a U.S. or a local address.
- Previous marriages. Please fill out the information completely, the name(s) of previous spouse(s), the date and place of marriage, date of divorce or death. If the information you need to fill out does not fit in the space, please use Section D (page 6 of 7).
- Precise Periods of Time in the United States. We know that this is the most complicated part of this form so we urge you to please put close attention to details. On this list you need to fill out **only** with the dates that you have **been physically present in the U.S.**

This means that if you left the U.S., even one day, on vacation to Canada, Mexico or any other place outside the U.S. or any of its outlying possessions, these dates should not be included on this list.

If after reading these key points you still have questions about how to fill out the DS-2029 form please feel free to email the Consular Section where you plan to apply for more information.