

**Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Court**

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**PETITION FOR ADOPTION**  
(adopted by General Order 2020-02)

1. Adopting Parent Full Name(s):

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Type of Adoption:

Relative

Nonrelative

Stepparent

3. Child's new name will be:

A. \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

If 12 or older does child agree to adoption? Yes No Does not apply

B. \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

If 12 or older does child agree to adoption? Yes No Does not apply

C. \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

If 12 or older does child agree to adoption? Yes No Does not apply

D. \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

If 12 or older does child agree to adoption? Yes No Does not apply

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**4. If this is a stepparent adoption:**

A. The Birth parent (name) \_\_\_\_\_  has signed a consent  
 will sign a consent.

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 will sign a consent.

B. The adopting parents were married on **or** the domestic partnership was registered on (date): \_\_\_\_\_.

C.  I am seeking a stepparent adoption to confirm my parentage. At the time the child was born, I was married to or in a state-registered domestic partnership with the parent who gave birth and we remain in that union.

See attached  Declaration Confirming Parentage in Stepparent Adoption  Declaration describing the circumstances of the child's conception.

5.  The child was conceived by assisted reproduction.

**6. Contact after adoption:**

*Contact After Adoption Agreement* is  attached  will not be used  will be filed at least 30 days before the adoption hearing is undecided at this time.

This is a tribal customary adoption. Post adoption contact is governed by the attached tribal customary adoption order.

**7. Consent for adoption is not necessary because (*complete all sections that apply to your adoption*):**

A.  The consent of  the birth parent  presumed father is not necessary because:

1.  The parent has been judicially deprived of the custody and control of the child.
2.  The parent has voluntarily surrendered the right to custody and control of the child in a judicial proceeding in another jurisdiction, under a law of that jurisdiction providing for that surrender.
3.  The parent has deserted the child without providing information to identify the child.
4.  The parent has relinquished the child under Family Code section 8700.
5.  The parent has relinquished the child for adoption to a licensed or authorized

child-placing agency in another jurisdiction.

B.  A court ended the parental rights of:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_ on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_ on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

*(Enter the date of the court order ending parental rights and attach a copy of the order.)*

C.  The child is the subject of a tribal customary adoption order, which has modified the parental rights of:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_ on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_ on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_ on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

*(Attach a copy of the order).*

D.  I/We will ask the court to end the parental rights of *(attach copy of Application for Freedom from Parental Custody, if filed)*:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

E.  Adopting parent has custody of the child by court order or by agreement with the other parent, and each of the following persons with parental rights has not contacted the child and has not paid for the child's care, support, and education for one year or more when able to do so. (Family Code section 8604(b)).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

F.  The child has been abandoned as follows:

1.  The child has been left by the child's parent or parents with no way to identify the child.

2.  The child has been left in the custody of another person by both parents or the sole parent for six months without providing for the child's support, or without communication from the parent, with the intent to abandon the child.

3.  One parent has left the child in the care and custody of the other parent for one

year or longer without providing for the child's support, or without communication from the parent, with the intent to abandon the child.

G.  The consent of the presumed father is not required because he did not become a presumed father before the mother's relinquishment or consent became irrevocable or the mother's parental rights were terminated. (Family Code section 8604 (a)).

H.  Each of the following persons with parental rights has died:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

### 8. Suitability for adoption

Each adopting parent:

A. Is at least 10 years older than the child;

B. Will treat the child as his or her own;

C. Will support and care for the child;

D. Has a suitable home for the child; and

E. Agrees to adopt the child.

9.  I/We ask the court to approve the adoption and to declare that the adopting parents and the child have the legal relationship of parent and child, with all the rights and duties of this relationship, including the rights of inheritance.

I/We ask the court to date its order approving the adoption as of an earlier date (date) for the following reason (*Enter a date no earlier than the date parental rights were ended*):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

This is a tribal customary adoption. I/We ask the court to approve the adoption and to declare that the adopting parents and the child have the legal relationship of parent and child, with all of the rights and duties stated in the attached tribal customary adoption order and in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code section 366.24.

10. If a lawyer is presenting you in this case, he or she must sign here:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lawyer's Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lawyer's Signature

11. I declare under penalty of perjury that the information in this form and all its attachments is true and correct to my knowledge. This means that if I lie on this form, I am guilty of a crime.

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Date                      Print your name                      Signature

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Date                      Print your name                      Signature

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Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

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