

# Cheat Sheet for Birth Amendments



Type of Amendment	Form Number	What the amendment is used for...	What to submit...	What happens to the original birth certificate...
Acknowledgement of Paternity/Parentage	VS 22	<p>Use this form to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>add the father/parent's name to the child's birth certificate if he/she was not included on the original birth certificate.</li> <li>change the child's surname to that of the father/parent's last name <b>only</b>.</li> <li>add the father/parent's last name to the child's last name already listed on the birth certificate.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note: This form must be signed by both parents.</b></p>	<p>If the child was born January 1, 1995, or later:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 22</li> <li>If married/State Registered Domestic Partnership (SRDP): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Photocopy of marriage license/SRDP declaration certificate</li> <li>Notarized sworn statement</li> </ul> </li> <li>If not married: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Photocopy of Declaration of Paternity (CS 909) – POP form. <b>Note:</b> Only biological parents may sign POP form</li> </ul> </li> <li>\$23 fee (includes one certified copy of the new birth certificate)</li> </ul> <p>If the child was born before January 1, 1995:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 22</li> <li>Notarized sworn statement</li> <li>\$23 fee (includes one certified copy of the new birth certificate)</li> </ul>	<p>The original birth certificate is sealed and replaced with a new birth certificate.</p> <p><i>Health &amp; Safety Code (H&amp;SC) 102755</i></p>
Adjudication of Facts of Parentage	VS 21	Use this form to change or remove the father/parent (or mother/parent) from who was listed on the child's original birth certificate. You may also use this form if both parents are unavailable to sign the VS 22 form.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 21</li> <li>Certified copy of the court order</li> <li>\$23 fee (includes one certified copy of the new birth certificate)</li> </ul>	<p>The original birth certificate is sealed and replaced with a new birth certificate.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 102725</i></p>
Affidavit to Amend a Birth Record	VS 24	Use this form to correct errors or add information to blank items on birth certificates.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 24</li> <li>Notarized sworn statement (if certified copy of amended record is issued)</li> <li>Appropriate fee (refer to pamphlet for details)</li> </ul>	<p>The original record remains unchanged, and the VS 24 becomes page two of the birth certificate – making it a two-page document.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 102140 and 103255</i></p>
Court Order Name Change	VS 23	Use this form to completely change the registrant's name.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 23</li> <li>Certified copy of the court order</li> <li>\$23 fee (includes one certified copy of the amended birth certificate)</li> </ul>	<p>The original record remains unchanged, and the VS 23 becomes page two of the birth certificate – making it a two-page document.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 102140 and 103405</i></p>
Court Order Delayed Registration of Birth	VS 108	Use this form to register a California birth that was never registered or a certified copy is not obtainable. Also, use this form if the applicant does not have appropriate evidence to support a delayed birth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Certified copy of the top portion of VS 108</li> <li>Completed bottom portion of VS 108</li> <li>\$23 fee (includes one certified copy of the birth certificate)</li> </ul>	<p>The bottom portion of VS 108 form becomes the birth certificate.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 103450</i></p>
Court Report of Adoption	VS 44	<p>The Court Report of Adoption form is used by courts to report adoptions to vital records offices.</p> <p>State Registrars cannot legally prepare a new birth certificate for an adopted child until they have received a Court Report of Adoption.</p> <p><b>Note: We will accept other states Court Report of Adoption forms and other states will accept our form.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Certified copy of the Court Report of Adoption form</li> <li>\$20 fee (if adopted outside of California)</li> <li>Certified copy of the Adoption Order or Final Decree</li> </ul>	<p>The original birth certificate is sealed and replaced with a new birth certificate.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 102635</i></p>
Delayed Registration of Birth	VS 85	Use this form to register a California birth when the birth was not registered within the first year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 85</li> <li>\$23 fee (includes one certified copy of the birth certificate)</li> <li>Notarized sworn statement</li> <li>Documentary evidence</li> <li>POP laws apply (refer to Acknowledgement of Paternity/Parentage section above)</li> </ul>	<p>The VS 85 form becomes the birth certificate.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 102530</i></p>
Gender Errors	VS 24	Use this process when incorrect gender information is entered on the birth certificate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 24</li> <li>Notarized sworn statement</li> <li>\$23 fee (includes one certified copy of the new birth certificate)</li> </ul>	<p>The original birth certificate is sealed and replaced with a new birth certificate.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 103447.5</i></p>
Gender Reassignment	VS 24	Use this process when a person has undergone clinically appropriate treatment for the purpose of gender transition.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 24</li> <li>Certified copy of court order</li> <li>\$23 fee (includes one certified copy of the new birth certificate)</li> </ul>	<p>The original birth certificate is sealed and replaced with a new birth certificate.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 103425</i></p>
Supplemental Name Report - Birth	VS 107	Used this form to add only the child's first, middle or last name only.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed VS 107</li> <li>Notarized sworn statement (if certified copy of amended record is issued)</li> <li>Appropriate fee (refer to pamphlet for details)</li> </ul>	<p>The original record remains unchanged, and the VS 107 becomes page two of the birth certificate – making it a two-page document.</p> <p><i>H&amp;SC 102140 and 103340</i></p>