



APPLICATION FOR NATURALISATION AS AN IRISH CITIZEN

Please read the following carefully and answer all questions

1. What year did Ireland become an autonomous state?

- a) 1916
- b) 1921
- c) 1922
- d) 1937

2. In which year did Ireland join the EU?

- a) 1944
- b) 1967
- c) 1973
- d) 1978

3. How many stars are on the EU flag?

- a) 14
- b) 15
- c) 9
- d) 12

4. In which TWO of the following places do the European Parliament meet?

- a) London
- b) Strasbourg
- c) Paris
- d) Brussels

5. Citizens of the EU resident in Ireland, have the right to vote in which of the following?

- a) Elections to the EU Parliament but no other elections
- b) All elections except national parliamentary elections
- c) Local council elections only
- d) No elections, they have to return to their home country to vote

6. Approximately how many people live in the countries within the European Union?

- a) 295 million
- b) 370 million
- c) 497 million
- d) 523 million

7. How many citizens worldwide claim Irish ethnicity?

- a) 9 million
- b) 14 million
- c) 26 million
- d) 70 million

8. What percentage of the Irish population are foreign nationals?

- a) 10%
- b) 8%
- c) 14%
- d) 17%

9. Which Minister is responsible for asylum and Naturalisation applications?

- a) Joan Burton
- b) Enda Kenny
- c) Alan Shatter
- d) James Reilly

10. What is the largest ethnic minority in Ireland?

- a) Polish
- b) Nigerian
- c) Traveller
- d) Chinese

11. What is the Dublin II Treaty?

- a) An EU agreement on immigration control
- b) A concession to Irish citizens to enable ratification of the Lisbon Treaty
- c) Annual EU summit in Dublin
- d) Agreement on the number of migrants allowed to live in Ireland

12. How many different nationalities are represented in Ireland?

- a) 48
- b) 56
- c) 72
- d) 188

13. How many Irish passport holders are living in other countries?

- a) 256,000
- b) 897,000
- c) 3 million
- d) 7.2 million

14. In 2004 what percentage of Irish citizens voted yes to ending the automatic right to citizenship for people born in Ireland, contained within Article 9 of the Constitution?

- a) 58.3%
- b) 66.1%
- c) 73.8%
- d) 79.8%

15. How long does it take for a migrant to become a citizen in Ireland?

- a) 3 years
- b) 5 years
- c) 8 years
- d) At the discretion of the Minister of Justice

16. What does the European Frontex Agency do?

- a) Recruit migrants for cheap labour
- b) Prevent terrorism in Europe
- c) Patrol European borders to prevent illegal migration
- d) Monitor human rights violations

17. What special rights do citizens of EU states have?

- a) Freedom from arrest while traveling in other member states
- b) The right to travel to any EU country as long as they have a valid passport
- c) The right to claim state benefits while living in other member states
- d) The right to citizenship of all EU member states

18. What percentage of migrants living in Ireland are seeking asylum?

- a) 7%
- b) 10%
- c) 32%
- d) 54%