

# **Name: Declaration of name for children - change of name in case of later joint custody**

## **Competent Department**

- [Standesamt Bremen-Mitte](#)
- [Standesamt Bremen-Nord](#)

## **Basic information**

If joint custody is not established until the child already has a name, the child's name may be redetermined within 3 months of the establishment of parental custody.

## **Requirements**

Subsequent establishment of joint custody (at the youth welfare office or notary)

## **What documents do I need?**

- Current extract from the birth register of the child
- custody certificate from the youth welfare office
- if necessary, a certified copy from the family register
- Proof of the other parent's name

(Current extract from the birth register)

- Consent of the child, if he/she has reached the age of 5
- Identity card or passport of the person making the declaration

## **Procedure**

The relevant declarations must be made in person at the registry office. Both custodial parents must submit the declarations.

## **Legal bases**

- [§ 1617b Abs. 1 Bürgerliches Gesetzbuch \(BGB\)](#)

## **What deadlines must be paid attention to?**

A new determination is only possible within three months after the establishment of joint custody.

## **How long does it take to process**

No specification possible.

## **What are the costs?**

40,00 EUR Notarisation of the declaration

Certificate of the change of name, if this is first issued at or after the notarisation - free of charge

13,00 EUR Certificate of change of name for subsequent issue

7,00 EUR other certificates, if they are applied for and issued at the same time

13,00 EUR Birth certificate

Cash or card payment is possible on site.