

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT FORM

PURPOSE. This form is to be used when you are seeking to adopt your spouse's child(ren). In a step-parent adoption, the natural parent of the child whose spouse wants to adopt the child will need to consent and appear at the hearing to give consent. The petitioner can have their spouse (the natural parent of the child(ren)) execute the **Consent to Step-Parent Adoption** and attach it to the petition before filing it with the court.

FORMS INVOLVED. The form is an **Affidavit of Consent to Step-Parent Adoption**. This form is only to be used if your spouse is giving consent and is in agreement to the petitioner adopting their child(ren). Make two (2) copies of this form (one for each parent to sign) if both parents consent and attach to the petition for adoption. If the petitioner has already filed the petition, you can submit the form to the court through the clerk of courts.

ATTACH THE CONSENT TO STEP-PARENT ADOPTION TO THE ADOPTION PETITION AND FILE THEM WITH THE CLERK OF CHILDREN'S COURT.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT THE FORM. To fill out this form follow these instructions. The numbers to each instruction below is the number on the blank line on the form where the information for that number needs to be inserted on the form. You can print this page in its entirety or you can scroll down to the petition form and if you scroll down farther you will find the affidavit of consent form. There will be a blank screen between these instructions and the forms and between the forms so keep scrolling or just copy this page in its entirety.

Instructions for filling out the Affidavit of Consent:

DO NOT USE THIS FORM IF NEITHER NATURAL PARENT IS NOT CONSENTING. USE THIS FORM IF ONE OR BOTH NATURAL PARENT CONSENTS OR AGREES TO THE GUARDIANSHIP APPOINTMENT AND ATTACH TO THE PETITION FOR ADOPTION.

- (1) on this line insert the name of each child up for adoption and their date of birth (DOB).
- (2) on this line insert the name of the natural parent consenting their spouse adopting their child(ren).
- (3) insert "mother" if the natural mother is consenting or "father" if the natural father is consenting.
- (4) insert the names of each minor child who is the natural child of the person giving consent.
- (5) insert the name of your spouse who wishes to adopt your child(ren).
- (6) on this line insert the day.
- (7) on this line insert the month.
- (8) on this line insert the year.
- (9) on this line the natural parent who consents to the step-parent adoption signs their name before a Notary Public.

Have the consenting parent(s) date and sign this form before a Notary Public and file it with the court.

ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBAL COURT)
ROSEBUD INDIAN RESERVATION)SS
ROSEBUD, SOUTH DAKOTA)

IN CHILDREN'S COURT

DOCKET _____

IN RE THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF:

(1) _____ DOB: _____

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CONSENT TO
STEP-PARENT ADOPTION

(2) _____, being first duly sworn and upon oath, states and
deposes as follows:

1. That I am the natural (3) _____ of the minor child(ren) (4) _____

_____.

2. That my spouse (5) _____ is petitioning the
court to adopt my above-named child(ren).

3. That the minor child(ren) have been under my and my spouses care, control and custody.

4 That I, do hereby voluntarily and of my own free will consent to allow spouse, the
petitioner(s) to adopt my said minor child(ren) so that we can raise them as our own together.

4. That I do believe it is in my minor child(ren)'s best interest that my spouse, the petitioner,
be allowed to adopt my child(ren).

5. That I understand that the adoption will not terminate my parental rights to my child(ren)
named above and that I will remain the parent of any of my children so adopted and that I and my
spouse will share parental control or rights to the child(ren).

Dated this (6)____ day of (7)_____, (8)_____.

(9)_____
 Natural Parent

Sworn and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public
My commission expires:
(SEAL)