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Adopt a stepchild

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Modul	Sachverhalt
Leistungsschlüssel	99013028207000, 99013028207000
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Adopt a stepchild
Leistungsbezeichnung II	Adopt a stepchild
Typisierung	3b - Bundesaufsichtsverwaltung: Regelung, Land: Ausführungsvorschriften, Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Sachsen-Anhalt
Freigabestatus Katalog	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	fachlich freigegeben (silber)
Begriffe im Kontext	
Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt mit Verrichtung
Leistungsgruppierung	Adoption (013)
Verrichtungskennung	Begleitung (207)
SDG-Informationsbereich	Geburt, Sorgerecht für Minderjährige, elterliche Pflichten, Vorschriften für Leihmutterschaft und Adoption, einschließlich Stiefkindadoption, Unterhaltspflichten für Kinder bei grenzüberschreitenden familiären Gegebenheiten
Lagen Portalverbund	Adoption und Pflegekinder (1020100)

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Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	23.12.2022
Fachlich freigegeben durch	Senator for Social Affairs, Youth, Integration and Sports
Handlungsgrundlage	https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/advermig_1976/__9a.html https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/advermig_1976/__9a.html
Teaser	You want to adopt your stepchild? The adoption center advises and accompanies you through the next steps. Here you can learn more about the process.
Volltext	In a stepchild adoption, the biological child of the partner is adopted. Adoption can make sense if, for example, there has been no contact with the separated parent for years, the other parent is deceased or unknown, or stepchildren are to be treated equally in terms of inheritance and maintenance law. In order to guarantee the well-being of these children, the requirements and suitability of the adopting parent are also examined in these cases. Through adoption, your stepchild becomes your child from a legal point of view. You then bear the same responsibility for the child as for a natural child. All persons involved must seek advice from an adoption agency. The discussions will also focus on whether the child is doing well after the adoption. Certificates of this counseling must be presented to the family court in the adoption proceedings. There is an exception to the obligation to provide counseling if the birth mother's partner applies for the adoption and both were already married to each other at the time of the child's birth or live in a registered civil partnership or a permanent cohabitation.
Erforderliche Unterlagen	• Copies of the transcripts from the birth register • Copy of marriage certificate • copies of death certificates or divorce decree of former spouses (optional) • Copies of birth records of legitimate, illegitimate and

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	adopted children • BZR extract • Health certificates • Extended registration certificate • Copies of income certificates • Photos (if possible no passport photos)
Voraussetzungen	Prerequisites include: • You must be married to each other as a couple, live in a registered civil partnership or in another permanent cohabitation. A stable cohabitation is defined as living together for at least four years or having a child together and living together as a family. • They should already have lived together with the child for a reasonable period of time, so that a parent-child relationship has been established. • Both parents must agree to the application. If the child is 14 years old or older, he or she must also consent. • The child must be informed about the existing stepparenthood, as perhaps the family court will also talk to the child. Otherwise, the same requirements apply as for the adoption of a foreign child.
Kosten	
Verfahrensablauf	• The adoption agency advises all parties involved • The application is filed with the family court • The need for adoption and suitability are examined • The family court decides on the adoption
Bearbeitungsdauer	
Frist	
weiterführende Informationen	
Hinweise	Different-sex couples and same-sex couples can adopt a stepchild. It is also a stepchild adoption if in a lesbian partnership the partner of the birth mother - for example after an

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	artificial insemination or sperm donation - wants to obtain the legal parenthood for the common desired child and applies for the adoption of the child for this purpose.
Rechtsbehelf	
Kurztext	• Stepchild adoption of a child in Germany, domestic adoption, accompaniment. • Possible for opposite-sex couples and same-sex couples. • Suitability test as for foreign child adoption • Responsible agency: adoption agencies
Ansprechpunkt	Youth Welfare Office
Zuständige Stelle	
Formulare	
Ursprungsportal	Adopt a stepchild, Ein Stiefkind adoptieren