

Completing a Statutory Declaration of Identity

Sometimes a client needs to have their identity verified, but is unable to do so because they do not have any of the documents used for identity in New Zealand (Passport, Driver's Licence or Firearms Licence). For example a person fleeing violence may not have been able to get access to their ID or a catastrophe like Cyclone Gabriel may have destroyed their ID.

In this instance the client can complete a Statutory Declaration to state their identity.

On the following pages, there are 2 Statutory Declaration forms that can be used for this purpose.

The first is a form to use if the client has a photo of themselves.

The second is a form to use if the client does not have a photo of themselves.

For both of these situations, you can also use the generic Statutory Declaration form if the client puts the required wording in the declaration box. If they have a photo of themselves, you can attach this as an Exhibit. If they have a birth certificate you can attach this as an Exhibit also.

The generic Statutory Declaration form can be found online if you Google "Statutory Declaration form NZ".

Statutory Declaration of Identity

I (Enter your full legal name — print using capital letters)

of (Enter your address)

(Enter your occupation —for example: bricklayer, teacher, unemployed)

solemnly and sincerely declare that:

Note: what you write must be true – you can be prosecuted if you make a false Declaration.

1.	My full legal name is as stated above and: (a) I am not known by any other name (b) I am known by these other names _____ delete either (a) or (b)
2.	I am not in possession of any acceptable means of identification, including: Birth Certificate, Passport, Driving Licence
3.	I was born at (town/city) _____ (country) _____ On the _____-day of month _____ 20____
4.	The photograph affixed to this declaration is a photo of me taken within the past twelve months
5.	I have signed with my usual signature below.

Note: do not complete the section below until you are with the Justice witnessing your declaration.

(your signature)

I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Oaths and Declarations Act 1957.

Declared at _____ this _____ day of _____ 20____

Before me

(name of official witness)

(signature of official witness)

(Deputy) Registrar, Justice of the Peace, Solicitor, or Officer authorised to take and receive Statutory Declarations

**PLEASE NOTE IF YOU MAKE A FALSE DECLARATION
YOU CAN BE PROSECUTED**

STATUTORY DECLARATION OF IDENTITY

(full name) I, _____

(address) Of _____

(occupation) _____

(date of birth) _____

(place of birth) _____

Solemnly and sincerely declare that I am the above mentioned person, and below is my usual signature.

(your signature)

I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Oaths and Declarations Act 1957.

Declared at _____ this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Before me

(name of official witness)

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