



Office of Enrollment Enrollment Application Frequently Asked Questions

1. WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP?

Section 1. Requirements. The following persons shall be eligible for membership in Wilton Rancheria:

a. All persons listed as distributees or dependent members in A Plan for Distribution of the Assets of the Wilton Rancheria, According to the Provisions of Public Law 85-671, Enacted by the 85th Congress, Approved August 18, 1958, as approved by the deputy commissioner of the Interior Department's Bureau of Indian Affairs on July 6, 1959; and

b. All lineal descendants of an individual eligible for membership under subsection (a) above, regardless of whether the individual through whom eligibility is claimed is living or deceased.

2. CAN THE OFFICE OF ENROLLMENT GUARANTEE THAT I GET ENROLLED BY A CERTAIN DATE?

No. The Office of Enrollment cannot guarantee that applicants will be enrolled in a certain timeframe or by a specific date. Your application will be processed in the order it was received. The Enrollment Committee will review your application as quickly as possible. The Office of Enrollment and the Enrollment Committee must follow all the steps necessary to ensure that your application and records are complete, accurate and valid.

3. HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE FOR MY APPLICATION TO BE APPROVED?

The length of time for the enrollment process varies between individuals and their specific circumstances. Factors that may cause delays include spelling errors in application materials, missing required documents, discrepancies on birth certificates, and inconclusive DNA test results.

4. WHEN CAN I OBTAIN A TRIBAL ID CARD?

All tribal members ages twelve (12) years and over may obtain a Tribal ID card. You will receive a Tribal ID Card once you are an enrolled Tribal member of Wilton Rancheria.

5. WILL I RECEIVE A PER CAPITA PAYMENT OR OTHER TRIBAL BENEFITS IF MY APPLICATION IS PENDING?

No. Applicants will not receive any type of payments or benefits until they are an enrolled Tribal Member of Wilton Rancheria.

6. CAN THE OFFICE OF ENROLLMENT ASSIST ME WITH RESEARCHING MY GENEALOGY?



The Office of Enrollment does not assist with personal genealogy research and cannot release information regarding ancestors. The applicant may contact family members that can assist them if they consent. There are also a number of genealogy resources online that applicants can refer to.

7. WHERE CAN I GET A COPY OF MY BIRTH CERTIFICATE?

You can request an original certified copy of your Birth Certificate from the County in which you were born. If you were born in Sacramento County, contact the County Records Office. Fees may apply.

Downtown Sacramento: 600 8th Street Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 874-6334; OR
East Area Service Ctr: 5229-B Hazel Avenue Fair Oaks, CA 95628 (916) 874-6334

8. WHERE CAN I GET A COPY OF MY SOCIAL SECURITY CARD?

You can request a copy or replacement card from the Social Security Administration. There is no charge. Social Security Card Center: 8581 Folsom Blvd., Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95826. Telephone: 1-866-708-3208 and 1-800-772-1213

9. WHAT IS THE COST OF THE DNA TESTING?

The DNA pricing and information from ARCpoint Labs of Sacramento is as follows:

- Paternity/Maternity Legal DNA - \$300.00 (up to 3 people); 4th person \$150.00
- Siblingship Legal DNA - \$400.00 (up to 3 people) additional 4th person \$150.00
- Avuncular Legal DNA - \$400.00 (up to 3 people) additional 4th person \$150.00
- Grandparentage Legal DNA - \$400.00 (up to 3 people) additional 4th person \$150.00

Out of State test prices vary depending on the alternative DNA Testing site. Prices are subject to change. If the DNA test is inconclusive, the applicant/sponsor is still responsible for reimbursing the Tribe for the cost of the DNA test, with no exceptions.