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Notice: Bhutan Issues Rules Permitting Intercountry Adoption

On August 28, 2015, the Royal Bhutanese Embassy in New Delhi, India informed the U.S. Central Authority that the Government of Bhutan has ended its suspension on intercountry adoption. Bhutan passed the Child Adoption Act in 2012 and the Child Adoption Rules and Regulations 2015 entered into force on January 1, 2015. U.S. citizens may apply to adopt a Bhutanese orphan if suitable Bhutanese prospective adoptive parents cannot be found within Bhutan. For more information about Bhutan's adoption regulations, please refer to the [National Commission for Women and Children](#). Please continue to monitor [travel.state.gov](#) for updates to the Country Information Sheet for Bhutan.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please do not hesitate to e-mail us at adoption@state.gov.