

## **Family Relationships**

Use this chart to establish the name of the relationship between two family members.

## How to use the chart

- 1. Identify the closest common ancestor
- 2. Identify the generations from the common ancestor for the first person along the top column.
- 3. Identify the generations from the common ancestor for the second person in the left hand row.
- 4. Where the relevant column and row intersects read off the relationship.

Example: The great grand child of the common ancestor (3<sup>rd</sup> generation) and the grand child (2<sup>nd</sup> generation) of the same ancestor are said to be first cousins once removed.

## Notes:

- 1. The boxes with bold text show persons of the same generation.
- 2. "Removed " merely means that the individuals are not of the same generation so twice removed just means that there are two generations difference between the individuals.
- 3. You can extend the table as necessary.

	0	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
		Generation	Generation	Generation	Generation	Generation
0	Common Ancestor	Child (son or daughter)	Grandchild	Great Grandchild	Great Great Grandchild	Great Great Great Grandchild
1 <sup>st</sup> Generation	Child (son or daughter)	Brother or Sister (Sibling)	Nephew or Niece	Grand Nephew or Niece	Great Grand Nephew or Niece	Great Great Grand Nephew or Niece
2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation	Grandchild	Nephew or Niece	First Cousin	First Cousin once removed	First Cousin twice removed	First Cousin 3 times removed
3 <sup>rd</sup> Generation	Great Grandchild	Grand Nephew or Niece	First Cousin once removed	Second Cousin	Second Cousin once removed	Second Cousin twice removed
4 <sup>th</sup> Generation	Great Great Grandchild	Great Grand Nephew or Niece	First Cousin twice removed	Second Cousin once removed	Third Cousin	Third Cousin once removed
5 <sup>th</sup> Generation	Great Great Great Grandchild	Great Great Grand Nephew or Niece	First Cousin 3 times removed	Second Cousin twice removed	Third Cousin once removed	Fourth Cousin