U.S. Department of State

APPLICATION FOR A U.S. PASSPORT

This form is used to apply for a U.S. passport. For information or questions, visit the official Department of State website at travel.state.gov or contact the National Passport Information Center at 1-877-487-2778 (TDD/TTY: 1-888-874-7783) or NPPIC2@state.gov.

WHAT TO SUBMIT WITH THIS APPLICATION

1. PROOF OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP
Submit an original or certified copy and a photocopy of the front (and back, if there is printed information) with your application. Your evidence will be returned to you if it is not damaged, altered, or forged. Submit one of the following:

- U.S. birth certificate that meets all of the following requirements:
  - Issued by the city, county, or state of birth
  - Lists your full name, date of birth, and place of birth
  - Lists your parent(s)' full names
  - Has the date filed with registrar's office (must be within one year of birth)
  - Has the registrar's signature and the seal of the issuing authority

- Fully-valid, undamaged U.S. passport (may be expired)
- Consular Report of Birth Abroad or Certification of Birth
- Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship

You must establish your citizenship to the satisfaction of the Department and may be asked to provide additional evidence. If you are claiming citizenship through the naturalization of your parents or if your U.S. birth certificate was filed more than one year after your birth, see instruction page 2. More information can be found on travel.state.gov/citizenship.

2. PROOF OF IDENTITY
Present your original identification and submit a photocopy of the front and back with your application. It must show a photograph that is a good likeness of you. Examples include:

- Previous or current U.S. passport book/card
- Driver's license (not temporary or learner's permit)
- Military identification; federal, state, or city government employee identification
- Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship

You must establish your identity to the satisfaction of the Department and may be asked to provide additional evidence. More information can be found at travel.state.gov/identification. If you have changed your name, please see instructions on what to submit at travel.state.gov/namechange.

3. A RECENT COLOR PHOTOGRAPH
Submit one color photograph, 2x2 inches in size. Photographs must meet the following requirements (see the full list on travel.state.gov/photos):

- Head must be 1-1 3/8 inches from the bottom of the chin to the top of the head
- Taken less than six months ago
- No glasses or hat/head covering*  
- Use a plain white or off-white background
- Head must face the camera directly with full face in view
- Printed on matte or glossy photo quality paper

* Head coverings are not acceptable unless you submit a signed statement verifying that it is part of recognized, traditional religious attire that is customarily or required to be worn continuously in public or a signed doctor's statement verifying its daily use for medical purposes. Glasses or other eyewear are not acceptable unless you submit a signed statement from a doctor explaining why you cannot remove them (e.g., during the recovery period from eye surgery).

4. FEES
Please visit our website at travel.state.gov/passportfees for current fees. For information on optional services, see instruction page 2. Payment methods:

- If applying at an acceptance facility: Passport fees must be made by check (personal, certified, cashiers, travelers) or money order (U.S. Postal, international, currency exchange) with the applicant's full name and date of birth printed on the front and payable to "U.S. Department of State." The execution fee must be paid separately and made payable to the acceptance facility in the form that they accept.
- If applying at a passport agency: We accept checks (personal, certified, cashiers, travelers); major credit cards (Visa, Master Card, American Express, Discover); money orders (U.S. Postal, international, currency exchange); or exact cash (no change provided). All fees should be payable to the "U.S. Department of State."*
- If applying outside the United States: Please see the website of your embassy, consulate, or consular agency to see what forms of payment they accept.

FOR CHILDREN UNDER 16

To submit an application for a child under age 16, both parents or the child's legal guardian(s) must appear and present all of the following:

- Evidence of the child's U.S. citizenship
- Evidence of the child's relationship to parents/guardian(s) (Example: a birth certificate or consular report of birth abroad listing the names of the parent(s)/guardian(s) and child)
- Original parental/guardian government-issued identification and a photocopy of the front and back

If only one parent/guardian can appear, you must also submit one of the following:

- The second parent's notarized written statement or DS-3053 (including the child's full name and date of birth) consenting to the passport issuance for the child. The notarized statement cannot be more than three months old, must be signed and notarized on the same day, and must come with a photocopy of the front and back side of the second parent's government-issued photo identification.
- Evidence of sole authority to apply (Example: a court order granting sole legal custody or a birth certificate listing only one parent)
- A written statement (made under penalty of perjury) or DS-5525 explaining, in detail, why the second parent cannot be reached

FOR CHILDREN AGE 16 OR 17

The Department may request the consent of one legal parent/legal guardian to the issuance of a passport to an applicant who is 16 or 17 years of age. In many cases, the passport authorizing officer may be able to ascertain parental awareness of the application by virtue of the parent’s presence when the minor submits the application or a signed note from the parent or proof the parent is paying the application fees. However, the passport authorizing officer retains discretion to request the legal parent’s/legal guardian’s notarized statement of consent to issuance (e.g., on Form DS-3053).

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HOW TO SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION
Complete and submit this application in person to a designated passport acceptance facility, a passport agency (by appointment only), or a U.S. embassy, consulate, or consular agency (if abroad). To find your nearest acceptance facility, visit travel.state.gov or call the National Passport Information Center at 1-877-487-2778 (TDD/TTY: 1-888-874-7793).

OTHER FORMS OF PROOF OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP

APPLICANTS BORN IN THE UNITED STATES
An acceptable U.S. birth certificate must include your full name, date and place of birth, sex, date the birth record was filed, the seal or other certification of the official custodian of such records (state, county, or city/town office), and the full names of your parent(s).

- If the birth certificate was filed more than one year after the birth: It must be supported by evidence described in the next paragraph.

- If no birth record exists: Submit a registrar's notice to that effect. Also, submit a combination of the evidence listed below, which should include your first and last name, date and/or place of birth, the seal or other certification of the office (if customary), and the signature of the issuing official.
  - A hospital birth record
  - An early baptismal or circumcision certificate
  - Early census, school, medical, or family Bible records
  - Insurance files or published birth announcements (such as a newspaper article)
  - Notarized affidavits (or DS-10, Birth Affidavit) of older blood relatives having knowledge of your birth may be submitted in addition to some of the records listed above.

APPLICANTS BORN OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

Please note: If we determine that you are a U.S. citizen, your lawful permanent resident card submitted with this application will be forwarded to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

- If you claim citizenship through naturalization of one or both parent(s), submit all of the following:
  - Certificate(s) of Naturalization of your parent(s)
  - Your foreign birth certificate (and official translation if the document is not in English)
  - Evidence of your admission to the United States for legal permanent residence and proof you subsequently resided in the United States
  - Your parents' marriage/certificate and/or evidence that you were in the legal and physical custody of your U.S. citizen parent, if applicable

- If you claim citizenship through birth abroad to at least one U.S. citizen parent, submit all of the following:
  - Consular Report of Birth Abroad (Form FS-240), Certification of Birth (Form DS-1350 or FS-545), or your foreign birth certificate (and official translation if the document is not in English)
  - Proof of U.S. citizenship of your parent
  - Your parents' marriage certificate
  - Affidavit showing all of your U.S. citizen parents' periods and places of residence and physical presence before your birth (DS-5507)

- If you claim citizenship through adoption by a U.S. citizen parent(s)*, submit all of the following:
  - Evidence of your permanent residence status
  - Evidence of your full and final adoption
  - Evidence that you were in the legal and physical custody of your U.S. citizen parent(s)
  - Evidence you have resided in the United States

*Only applies if the applicant was born on or after 10/05/1978.

You must establish your citizenship to the satisfaction of the Department. We may ask you to provide additional evidence to establish your claim to U.S. citizenship. Visit travel.state.gov/citizenship for details.

OTHER FEE INFORMATION

FEES ARE LISTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT TRAVEL.STATE.GOV. BY LAW, THE PASSPORT FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.

Expedited service: Available for an additional fee. Our website travel.state.gov contains updated information regarding fees and processing times for expedited service. Expedited service is only available for passports mailed in the United States and Canada. Please include the appropriate fee with your payment.

1-2 Day Delivery: Available for an additional fee. This service is only available for passport book (and not passport card) mailings in the United States. Please include the appropriate fee with your payment.

Verification of a previous U.S. Passport or Consular Report of Birth Abroad: An additional fee will be charged when, upon your request, we verify issuance of a previous U.S. passport or Consular Report of Birth Abroad because you are unable to submit evidence of U.S. citizenship.

Special Issuance Passports: If you present U.S. government authorization to apply for a special issuance passport (no-fee regular, service, official, or diplomatic), you must pay the execution fee when applying at a designated acceptance facility. No other fees are charged when you apply.
Separate mailings: You may receive your newly-issued U.S. passport book and/or card and your citizenship evidence in two separate mailings. If you are applying for both a U.S. passport book and passport card, you may receive three separate mailings; one with your returned evidence, one with your newly-issued passport book, and one with your newly-issued passport card.

Passport numbers: Each newly issued passport book or card will have a different passport number than your previous one.

"In care of": If you do not live at the address listed in the "mailing address" section of this application, put the name of the person who does and mark it "In Care Of" in item #8 on page 1 of 2. If the applicant is a minor child, please include the "in care of" name of the adult registered to receive mail at this address.

Moved? If your mailing address changes prior to receipt of your new passport, please contact the National Passport Information Center at 1-877-487-2778 (TDD/TTY: 1-888-874-7793) or NPIC@state.gov.

NOTE: The U.S. Department of State will not mail a U.S. passport to a private address outside the United States or Canada.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A PASSPORT BOOK AND A PASSPORT CARD?

The U.S. passport card is not valid for international air travel. Unlike the U.S. passport book, the U.S. passport card is valid only for entry at land border crossings and sea ports of entry when traveling from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Bermuda.

The maximum number of letters provided for your given name (first and middle) on the U.S. passport card is 24 characters. If both your given names are more than 24 characters, you must shorten one of your given names you list on item #1 on page 1 of 2.

Both the passport book and card are U.S. passports. They reflect the bearer's identity and nationality, and they are subject to existing passport laws and regulations. U.S. passports are only issued to U.S. citizens or non-citizen U.S. nationals.

HOW FEES ARE ESTABLISHED AND PROCESSED

Passport service fees are established by law and regulation (see 22 U.S.C. 214, 22 C.F.R. 22.1, and 22 C.F.R. 51.50-56) and are collected at the time you apply for the passport service.

If we fail to receive full payment of the applicable fees (for example, if your check is returned for any reason or you dispute a passport fee charge to your credit card), the U.S. Department of State will take action to collect the delinquent fees from you under 22 C.F.R. Part 34 and the Federal Claims Collection Standards (see 31 C.F.R. Parts 900-904). In accordance with the Debt Collection Improvement Act (Pub.L. 04-134), if the fees remain unpaid after 180 days and no repayment arrangements have been made, we will refer the debt to the U.S. Department of Treasury for collection. Debt collection procedures used by U.S. Department of Treasury may include referral of the debt to private collection agencies, reporting of the debt to credit bureaus, garnishment of private wages and administrative offset of the debt by reducing, or withholding eligible federal payments (e.g., tax refunds, social security payments, federal retirement, etc.) by the amount of your debt, including any interest penalties or other costs incurred. In addition, non-payment of passport fees may result in the invalidation of your passport. An invalidated passport cannot be used for travel.

If you send us a check, it will be converted into an electronic funds transfer (EFT). This means we will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will usually occur within 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement. You will not receive your original check back. We will destroy your original check, but we will keep the copy of it. If the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in place of your original check. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer up to two times, and we will charge you a one-time, non-refundable fee of $25, which we will also collect by EFT.

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS FOR NO-FEE REGULAR, SERVICE, OFFICIAL, OR DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS

You may use this application if you meet all of the provisions listed; however, you must consult your sponsoring agency for instructions on proper routing procedures before forwarding this application. Your completed passport will be released to your sponsoring agency for forwarding to you.

PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST IDENTITY THEFT - REPORT YOUR PASSPORT LOST OR STOLEN!

A United States citizen or non-citizen national may not normally have more than one valid or potentially valid U.S. passport book or more than one valid or potentially valid U.S. passport card at a time. Therefore, when a valid or potentially valid U.S. passport book or card cannot be presented with a new application, you must submit a Form DS-64, Statement Regarding a Lost or Stolen U.S. Passport. Your statement must detail why the previous U.S. passport book or card cannot be presented.

The information you provide regarding your lost or stolen U.S. passport book or card will be placed into our Consular Lost or Stolen Passport System. This system is designed to prevent the misuse of your lost or stolen U.S. passport book or card. Anyone using the passport book or card that was reported lost or stolen may be detained upon entry into the United States. If you find the U.S. passport book or card that was reported lost or stolen, report it as found, and submit it for cancellation. It has been invalidated. You cannot use that passport book or card for travel.

For more information regarding reporting a lost or stolen U.S. passport book or card, please call the National Passport Information Center at 1-877-487-2778 (TDD/TTY: 1-888-874-7793) or visit travel.state.gov.
AUTHORITIES:

PURPOSE:
We are requesting this information in order to determine your eligibility to be issued a U.S. passport. Your Social Security number is used to verify your identity.

ROUTINE USES:
This information may be disclosed to another domestic government agency, a private contractor, a foreign government agency, or to a private person or private employer in accordance with certain approved routine uses. These routine uses include, but are not limited to, law enforcement activities, employment verification, fraud prevention, border security, counterterrorism, litigation activities, and activities that meet the Secretary of State's responsibility to protect U.S. citizens and non-citizen nationals abroad. More information on the Routine Uses for the system can be found in System of Records Notices State-05, Overseas Citizen Services Records and Other Overseas Records and State-26, Passport Records.

DISCLOSURE:
Providing information on this form is voluntary. Be advised, however, that failure to provide the information requested on this form may cause delays in processing your U.S. passport application and/or could result in the refusal or denial of your application.

Failure to provide your Social Security number may result in the denial of your application (consistent with 22 U.S.C. 2714a(f)) and may subject you to a penalty enforced by the IRS, as described in the Federal Tax Law section of the instructions to this form. Your Social Security number will be provided to the Department of the Treasury and may be used in connection with debt collection, among other purposes authorized and generally described in this section.

PUBLIC REPORTING BURDEN FOR THIS COLLECTION OF INFORMATION IS ESTIMATED TO AVERAGE 85 MINUTES PER RESPONSE, INCLUDING THE TIME REQUIRED FOR SEARCHING EXISTING DATA SOURCES, GATHERING THE NECESSARY DATA, PROVIDING THE INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS REQUIRED, AND REVIEWING THE FINAL COLLECTION. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SUPPLY THIS INFORMATION UNLESS THIS COLLECTION DISPLAYS A CURRENTLY VALID OMB CONTROL NUMBER. IF YOU HAVE COMMENTS ON THE ACCURACY OF THIS BURDEN ESTIMATE AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCING IT, PLEASE SEND THEM TO: PASSPORT FORMS OFFICER, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, BUREAU OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS, PASSPORT SERVICES, OFFICE OF PROGRAM MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT, 44132 MERCURE CIR, PO BOX 1199, STERLING, VIRGINIA 20166-1199.
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Use black ink only. If you make an error, complete a new form. Do not correct.

Select document(s) for which you are submitting fees:
- U.S. Passport Book
- U.S. Passport Card
- Both

The U.S. passport card is not valid for international air travel. (See Instructions Page 3)
- Regular Book (Standard)
- Large Book (Non-Standard)

The large book is for frequent travelers who need more visa pages.

1. Name Last
   First
   Middle

2. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)
3. Sex
   M
   F

4. Place of Birth (City & State if in the U.S. or City & Country as it is presently known.)

5. Social Security Number

6. Email (see application status at passportstatus.state.gov)

7. Primary Contact Phone Number

8. Mailing Address Line 1: (Street/RFD, P.O. Box or URB)

Address Line 2: (Include Apartment, Suite, etc. If applicant is a child, write "In Care Of" of the parent. Example: In Care Of - Jane Doe, mother)

City
State
Zip Code
Country, (if outside the United States)

9. List all other names you have used. (Examples: Birth Name, Maiden, Previous Marriage, Legal Name Change. Attach additional pages if needed.)

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DO NOT SIGN APPLICATION UNTIL REQUESTED TO DO SO BY AUTHORIZED AGENT

Identifying Documents - Applicant or Mother/Father/Parent/Legal Guardian on Second Signature Line (if identifying minor)

Name
Issue Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
Exp. Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
State of Issuance

State Issued ID Card
Military
Other

ID No
Country of Issuance

Identifying Documents - Applicant or Mother/Father/Parent/Legal Guardian on Third Signature Line (if identifying minor)

Name
Issue Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
Exp. Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
State of Issuance

State Issued ID Card
Military
Other

ID No
Country of Issuance

I declare under penalty of perjury all of the following: 1) I am a citizen or non-citizen national of the United States and have not performed any of the acts listed under "Acts of Conditions" on page 4 of the instructions of this application (unless explanatory statement is attached). 2) the statements made on the application are true and correct. 3) I have not knowingly and willfully made false statements or included false documents in support of this application; 4) the photograph attached to this application is a genuine, current photograph of me; and 5) I have read and understood the warning on page 4 of the instructions to the application form.

X
Applicant’s Legal Signature - age 16 and older

X
Mother/Father/Parent/Legal Guardian’s Signature (if identifying minor)

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