

Australian Passport Application – Child Checklist (In-person)

Use this checklist for all **in-person** child passport applications – First passport, renewal for a child aged 16 & 17 years, name (or other) change, or to replace a lost, stolen, seriously damaged or an emergency passport. **The above passport applications must be lodge in-person.**

N	AME OF	CHILD APPLICANT:	
Y	ou mus	t be able to tick YES to all points 1 to 7 before making an in-person appointment to lodge your child's passport application.	\checkmark
1.	INSTR	JCTIONS: I have read the application form printing instructions on the Consulate website.	
2.		CATION FORM: I have correctly completed and printed my child's Overseas Passport Application nline at the APO website. Not eligible for the mailed-in renewal process.	
	a.	My child's form is printed ONE-SIDED and not cut off at the top/bottom of the page (compare with image on screen). The barcode in the top right corner of each page has printed correctly.	
	b.	The guarantor has correctly completed and signed Section 11 using BLACK ink.	
	с.	I have completed ALL section 12, 13 (A-B-C) and 14 (A-B-C). No sections can be left blank.	
	d.	Both parents have given consent and completed ALL sections 12, 13 and 14 . They have signed section 15 in front of a qualified witness (see the instructions on the application form).	
	e.	I have completed and signed section 17 . My child aged 10-15 years has signed section 18 inside the white signature box using BLACK INK . My child's signature does not touch the box border or words around the box. Your child's signature will show in the new passport.	
3.	ORIGI	NAL DOCUMENTS: I will bring ALL the below original documents to the appointment.	
	a.	 Birth Certificate: Born in Australia – Your child's Australian Birth Certificate. Born overseas – Your child's foreign birth certificate (international version called '<i>Extract'</i>). All foreign-language documents must be translated in full by an approved translation service. 	
	b.	 Proof of Citizenship: Born in Australia – On or after 20/08/1986, see section 3a of the application form. Born Overseas – Must provide your child's Australian citizenship certificate or the email from Home Affairs confirming your child has 'Acquired' Australian citizenship. 	
	с.	Proof of Child's Name Change: (if applicable) I have checked the APO website (Names and name change) and I have the documents required to change my child's name, gender or other.	
4.		D ID FOR BOTH PARENTS – I will bring valid photo ID for BOTH PARENTS. We accept either an lian or foreign issued passport, driving license or residency permit.	
5.	addres	• OF ADDRESS FOR BOTH PARENTS – I will bring one document which shows the current home s, not more than 3 months old, for BOTH PARENTS (e.g. utility bill, health or car insurance bill, al bill, bank or credit card statement, telephone bill etc.).	
6.		DS : I will bring two identical printed Australian standard passport photos of my child that meet	
		ict requirements listed on the Australian Passport Office website.	
	а.	The guarantor has correctly endorsed and signed the back of one printed photo "This is a true photo of <i>CHILD'S FULL NAME</i> " using black ink . There is no ink smudged on the second photo.	
	b.	My child's photos are protected in a separate envelope or plastic sleeve. DO NOT ATTACH the photos to the form which could damage them. We will attach them for you.	
	C.	Recommended - I have emailed the original (raw, unedited) JPEG digital image from the camera or photographer to: <u>Australian.consulate-geneva@dfat.gov.au</u>	
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7.	PAYMENT : We accept payment by credit card only at the appointment (cash and bank transfer are no				
	longer accepted). You don't have a credit card – another person can complete the credit card				
	authorisation form for you to bring to the appointment. All fees are charged in AUD.				
8.	RETURN ENVELOPE : I will bring a stamped self-addressed return envelope (size A5). Ordinary stamps				
	to a value of CHF6.80. We DO NOT accept the post office issued registered 'R' stamps with a tracking				
	bar code. Passports can only be mailed to a Swiss address (friend, family, work).				
	a. Or - I prefer to collect the new passport in-person, by appointment. You will be notified by				
	email when the new passport is ready to make an appointment to collect.				
I	IPORTANT: If you did not tick <u>YES</u> to all points 1 to 8 then carefully check your application and document	ts or			
	start again. Incomplete applications will not be accepted, and a new appointment will have to be schedule	ed.			
9.	Are you replacing a lost, stolen, seriously damaged passport? If yes, you must complete the B11 –				
	General declaration form to explain in detail how the passport was lost, stolen, damaged.				
10.	PROOF OF PARENTS NAME CHANGE – (if applicable) If the current name of a parent has changed since				
	your child's previous passport application you must provide a document proving the name change (e.g.				
	marriage certificate, name change certificate or divorce decree).				
11.	TRAVEL: I have upcoming travel planned - From: To: To:				
	Please print and bring a copy of the itinerary.				
12.	Do you intend to use your child's current Australian passport for upcoming travel?				
	a. Yes - I intend to use my child's current valid passport for upcoming travel. I would like my				
	child's current passport to remain valid while the new one is being processed.				
	b. No - My child will not be travelling in the next 6 weeks, but I would like my child's current				
	passport to remain valid while the new one is being processed.				
13.	Is your travel within the next 6 weeks? If yes, you may need an emergency passport. Please call or				
	email us to discuss your options - <u>Australian.consulate-geneva@dfat.gov.au</u>				

BIRTH CERTIFICATE:

I can't locate my child's original birth certificate.

- **Born in Australia** Visit the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages (RBDM) website in the state where your child was born for information on how to apply for a replacement birth certificate.
- **Born overseas** Contact the Civil Registry Office where your child's birth was registered for information on how to apply for a new international birth certificate (called '*Extract'*).

CITIZENSHIP CERTIFICATE:

I can't locate my child's original Australian citizenship certificate.

• Visit the **Department of Home Affairs** website for information on how to apply for a replacement citizenship certificate - <u>https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/citizenship/certificate</u>

PARENTAL CONSENT:

If your child was adopted, born as a result of surrogacy, has one parent only on the birth certificate, or you are unable to obtain the consent of all parties with parental responsibility, you may need to provide supplementary information and/or all court orders issued in relation to the child. You can find more information on Parental responsibility and consent on the Australian Passport Office website (passports.gov.au)

For parents living in different locations, we strongly recommend you also check the following on the APO website:

- How to consent to a child passport
- Incomplete consent

TRANSLATIONS OF FOREIGN ISSUED DOCUMENTS:

All foreign issued documents must be the international version showing English otherwise an official sworn English translation of all pages must also be provided. In Switzerland and most European countries, a new international certificate (called '*Extract*' showing English can be ordered from the issuing authority which is faster and less expensive than having the documents translated.

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PASSPORT PROCESSING TIMES:

You should allow a minimum of 6 weeks to receive your child's new passport after you lodge the application. To minimise processing times, make sure the application includes everything we need.

CURRENT / EXPIRING PASSPORT:

If applicable – Your child's current/expiring passport **will remain valid** for use/travel (check with the airlines and/or transit countries for requirements, including passport expiry dates) while the new passport is being processed. The old Australian travel document will **automatically cancel 30 days** after we have sent your child's new passport or notified you to collect (you will receive an email notification when the new passport is activated).

GUARANTOR REQUIREMENTS

The guarantor must correctly complete and sign section 11 of the passport application form. The guarantor must also endorse the back of one printed passport photo by writing 'This is a true photo of [CHILD'S FULL NAME]' and signing using **black ink**.

You should ensure that your child's guarantor meets the below criteria:

- ✓ Is aged 18 years or older.
- ✓ Has known your child for a minimum of 1 year, or since birth for children under 12 months of age.
- Cannot be related in any way to the child or to a person who has parental responsibility for the child, or in a de facto relationship with the person who has parental responsibility, or living at the same address as the child or a person with parental responsibility (not the same house or apartment the same building is allowed).
- ✓ Meets the guarantor qualifications below (either 1 or 2).

Guarantor qualifications you can choose from:

1. Australian citizen who currently holds a valid Australian passport

OR

- 2. Foreign national (not Australian) who is currently employed in one of the below occupations/professions:
 - Accountants (certified/registered)
 - Bank Manager or Bank Director (of a department but not a bank employee/clerk)
 - Professional Engineers (currently licensed)
 - Judges, Barristers, Attorneys, Lawyers, Solicitors
 - Registered Medical Practitioners Doctors/GP, Psychiatrists, Dentists, Pharmacists
 - Registered Nurses, Midwifes, Chiropractors, Optometrists, Physiotherapists, Psychologists
 - Registered Veterinary Surgeons
 - Police Officers with at least 5 years continuous service
 - Ministers of Religion and Marriage Celebrants
 - Teachers who have been teaching for more than 5 years
 - Public Servants/Local Government employees who have been employed for at least 5 years

What if i can't find a guarantor in Switzerland?

Some applicants find it difficult to obtain a guarantor in Switzerland. Usually this is because they have recently relocated to Switzerland and do not know anyone here who has known them for longer than 12 months. If you are unable to obtain a guarantor in Switzerland, you should obtain a guarantor from a country where you previously lived (e.g., Australia).

You will need to send them Section 11 of the passport applications form to complete and sign, together with one of your passport photos, for them to endorse and sign the back of the photo. We recommend sending the guarantor a PDF of section 11 and a digital image by email to print. The digital image must be printed using a good quality photo paper and ink (do not print on normal paper).

Once they have signed the documents, they must send the originals back to you so that you can submit them when you lodge your application. We cannot accept the documents from your guarantor by email. They must send the originals back to you before you lodge your passport application.

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Mark items to						
charge:	Passport Application & Overseas Processing Surcharge Fees	Postage Fee Registered Mail or Moon Express (if required)	Emergency Passport Fee (if eligible)	Notarial or Consular Fee		
Card Holder's Name:	er's I,					
	 - authorise the Australian Consulate-General Geneva to charge my credit card for the items marked above. I understand that all fees are charged in AUD and are subject to exchange rates and any overseas transaction fees. I understand that my card will be charged the fees applicable on the day the payment is processed. - authorise the Australian Consulate-General Geneva to charge my credit card for the amount in 					
	postage should my documents be returned due to an incomplete application or missing information.					
Signature:			Date:			

Passport and Notarial fees can be found at: <u>FEES - Passport and Notarial Services (mission.gov.au).</u>

CREDIT CARD DETAILS

Card Number:		
Expiry Date: /		
CCV/Security Code:		
Name on credit card:		
Billing address:		
Street/No:		
City:	_ Post Code:	
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