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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR APPLYING FOR PASSPORT RE-ISSUE. YOU NEED TO MAIL THIS CHECKLIST AND OTHER DOCUMENTS WITH YOUR APPLICATION. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PRINT THIS DOCUMENT, COMPLETE IT AND INCLUDE IT IN YOUR APPLICATION AS THE COVER PAGE.

#### **IMPORTANT GUIDELINES**

- > IT IS ABSOLUTELY MANDATORY to complete <u>VFS ONLINE REGISTRATION PROCESS</u> before sending your physical application. Failure to complete online registration process will result in returning your application unprocessed.
- All the photocopies of the documents that are being submitted must be in full page and clearly legible. Photos should be visible and other information should be clearly readable.
- Please do not send original documents unless specified. VFS will not be responsible for return of any additional original documents submitted.
- Please ensure that all data entries provided in your application match with your existing passport. If not, please provide the supporting documentation.
- Please select the correct Indian mission based on the place where you reside in the USA and the mission's jurisdiction. Mission jurisdiction can be viewed at

http://visa.vfsglobal.com/usa/en/ind/attend-centre

- You are recommended to fill the passport application form if your form has been completed more than 150 days ago. This might help avoid any processing delays in case your form expires at 180 days before submission to the Mission'
- > After submission online, no changes can be made. In case of an error, please fill a new online application form.
- ▶ If your application lacks any of the documents listed in this checklist, your application will be put "on Hold" and an email notification highlighting the deficiencies will be sent to you. You must complete application within 7 days from the date of receipt of the email notification. Post receipt of missing documents, VFS India Consular application Centre will update the system in 48 − 72 business hours hence track the status only after 48-72 hours.
- > Envelope should be super scribed as "RE-ISSUANCE OF PASSPORT IN LIEU OF EXISTING PASSPORT ADULT". One Envelope can contain only one application only.

#### Please note:

- > VFS INDIA CONSULAR APPLICATION CENTRE employees cannot edit or make any changes to your online application form.
- > THE CONSULATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CALL FOR ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS, AS CONSIDERED NECESSARY.
- YOUR APPLICATION STATUS WILL BE UPDATED IN 48 72 HOURS POST ITS DELIVERY TO THE VFS INDIA CONSULAR APPLICATION CENTRE. TO TRACK THE STATUS ONLINE, CLICK HERE

## MANDATORY DOCUMENTS

S.N	Document Name Original or Cop				
1	GOVERNMENT APPLICATION ONLINE FORM: (DIGITAL SIGNAT URES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE)				
	Must select a correct Jurisdiction online on the Passport Govt. form.				
	Must Choose passport Re-issue.				
	Passport government ARN number must match the VFS Payment receipt number.				
	ONLINE APPLICATION FORM				
	The application must be completed and submitted online by visiting: <a href="https://embassy.passportindia.gov.in">https://embassy.passportindia.gov.in</a>				
	- First-time applicants need to register and make an account to be able to fill the online application form. If registered already, please log in and fill the application				

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	- In "Type of passport booklet", Please select "36 pages" or "60 pages" (for jumbo booklet- Additional charges)	
	SIGNATURE INSTRUCTIONS (DO NOT PUT THUMBPRINT)	
	- Sign on Page 1, inside the box, below your photograph, and on page 4.	
	ADDRESS INSTRUCTIONS:	
	Please ensure to mention 1 Indian and 1 USA address in the online application form.	
2	PHOTOGRAPH SPECIFICATIONS (Must be white background)  2 photos of size 51mm x 51 mm (2 by 2 size) must be White Background— PHOTOGRAPHS MUST BE IDENTICAL.  Must be taken within 6 months.	ORIGINAL
	<ul> <li>Must be taken within 6 months.</li> <li>Shoulder must be visible</li> </ul>	
	Without glasses	
	Without flashlight reflection	
	<ul> <li>With colored shirt to distinguish with white background</li> <li>With good lighting on the face.</li> </ul>	
	o Photos <b>must</b> be <u>compliant with specifications</u> ; Affix 01 photograph on Govt. form and 01	
	on change of appearance form	
	To know more about photo specifications – <u>Please click here</u>	
3	CURRENT ORIGINAL INDIAN PASSPORT AND COPY	<b>ORIGINAL AND</b>
	Along with the most recent original Indian Passport, please Include copies of the <b>first and last</b>	<u>COPY</u>
4	page (Applicant's Bio & Family details page) of your current Indian passport.	ODICINAL
4	Affidavit for change of appearance & Signature - click here to download  Must be signed by the applicant. Affidavit for Change in Appearance & Signature is Mandatory for	ORIGINAL
	all applicants. In case of Short Validity Passport reissue applications for Asylum and U visa cases the	
	affidavit for change in appearance & signature must be mandatory to be notarized (Expiry date of	
	the Notary stamp must not be manually corrected or over- write).	
5	Annexure E - Click here to download	ORIGINAL
	Must be signed by the applicant.	
6	COPY OF THE VALID STATUS IN THE USA	NOTARIZED
	Please submit one of the below documents as applicable, in Color – copy & Notarized (with Stamp	COLOR COPY IN
	and Notary signature):-	ORIGINAL (Expire data of
	- Notarized valid Green Card - FRONT AND BACK - Notarized valid Visa,	(Expiry date of the Notary
	- Notarized valid Visa, - Notarized valid EAD - FRONT AND BACK	stamp must not
	- Notarized valid LAD - Root Falls Back	be manually
	- Notarized valid Work permit/Study Permit, OR	corrected or
	- Notarized recently expired Visa and notarize I-797A Approval notice together with notarized I-	over-write)
	797C Receipt Notice for filing of a request for extension before the expiry of Visa or I-797A.	
	Notarized copy of proof of extension, if B1/B2 is expired and have a receipt for extension of	
	stay or an approval for extension of stay.	
	Notarized hotel bill - If the customer on L1/L3 staying in a hotel for a project for the past couple of months and don't have the address proof or state ID.	
7	PROOF OF ADDRESS IN THE USA (Color-Copy)	
	Proof of address must match with the present address as per application: (any ONE of the below	COLOR COPY
	documents) State Issued ID OR	
	- Driving license OR	
	- Utility Bill - Water (should be recent, no more than 3 months old) OR	
	- Utility Bill - Gas (should be recent, no more than 3 months old) OR	
	- Utility Bill - Electricity (should be recent, no more than 3 months old) OR - Valid Lease Agreement OR	

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- Mortgage OR - Income Tax return ( - For College/Universi	campus in University hou	using/dormitories,	a letter from	

- For College/University Students living on campus in University housing/dormitories, a letter from your institution on the institution letterhead explaining the exact address that you presently reside in will suffice. OR
- Marriage Certificate in case the address in spouse's name, birth certificate of child in case of minor applicant along with parent's address proof. OR
- In case of applicant residing with parents/children/brother/Sister, a notarized undertaking from them with one of the notarized copies of address proof as indicated above. OR
- -In case of applicant residing in a hotel or temporary lodging for a short period of time and does not have a --permanent address proof, then can submit copy of notarized hotel bills as proof of residence.
- -Please note expired documents like lease/ driving license copies are not acceptable. Please provide alternate valid documents

NOTE: DO NOT CUT YOUR DRIVER'S LICENCE COPY DOWN TO SMALLER SIZE Important: PO BOX number is NOT ACCEPTABLE as valid Proof of address

### 8 **FEE PAYMENTS & COURIERS**

**ORIGINAL** 

Complete the process online on VFS INDIA CONSULAR APPLICATION CENTRE's website to send your application and requisite documents. Don't forget to enclose the Application confirmation receipt and enclose the acceptable pre-paid label, if you opt to use your own courier labels. <u>Either Pre-paid labels or VFS offered courier label return address must match with the address proof submitted and mentioned on the application form.</u>

To complete the questionnaire & create a profile: Click here to proceed

If paying by Money order or Banker's check then it should be made in favor of "VFS Services

(USA) Inc. PERSONAL CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

FEDEX PREPAID LABELS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS – CONDITION BASED

1	Remove/Change the Spouse Name:	NOTARIZED
	(I) For addition of spouse name in passport:	
	(a) Marriage Certificate	
	or	
	(b) Joint Photo Declaration signed by both husband & wife	
	(II) For deletion of spouse name:	
	(a) Divorce order / decree	
	(III) For Change of spouse name:	
	(a) Diverse and of decree and death contificate of first arrange and	
	(a) Divorce order/decree or death certificate of first spouse and	
	(b) Re-marriage certificate or Joint Photo Declaration by both husband & wife	

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	(IV) For change of surname by women applicant following marriage/ divorce:	
	(a) Marriage Certificate or Joint Photo Declaration by both husband & wife (b) Divorce order /decree (if name/surname change is based on divorce)	
2	AFFIDAVIT OF NAME CHANGE (Original -Notarized (with Stamp and Notary Signature) - Click here	NOTARIZED AND
	to download  IMPORTANT: (Expiry date of the Notary stamp must not be manually corrected or over-write)	ORIGINAL
3	INDIAN ADDRESS PROOF (If Applicants wants to add/Change Indian Address)  Aadhar Card  OR  Recent Bank Statement from Government bank (Should have affixed photograph)  OR  Driver's license  Ory	Self-Attested copy
	Utility bill not older than 3 months  OR	
	Voter Card ID OR Copy of Ration card which has the parents name – Should have names of applicant and parents	
	OR Copy of Photo passbook of PSU Bank OR	
	Copy of Parents Passport copy as their name is on the applicant passport  OR  Parents or relatives address of Indian address proof (any one address proof as indicated above)	

4	CHANGE IN PARENT'S NAME  If you wish to change your parents name then to provide two supporting public documents in India, such as Passport copy, Aaadhar Card, Voter Card or PAN Card, Educational Qualification Certificate etc. with the parents' new names	<u>Self-Attested</u> <u>copy</u>
5	NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT	Self-Attested
	In circumstances (other than marriage, remarriage, or divorce) for change of name, the applicant	copy
	(both male and female) should furnish the following documents:	
	1. Submit the full page of the below mentioned clearly showing the date, name of the News Paper	
	and the content	
	a. Publication in a National daily in India	
	and	
	b. Publication in a National daily in the USA or the Gazette notification of the concerned State	
	Government, as the case may be;	
	2. At least two public/school documents issued in the desired/applied changed the name to	
	ascertain that the applicant has changed his/her name	

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6	COURT ORDER ISSUED BY JUDICIAL OFFICER	Self-Attested
	A court order issued by a judicial officer, not below the rank of 1st Class Magistrate in India OR a	copy
	Competent Authority (issues an amendment or correction in the date/place of birth of the	
	applicant. The Competent Authority issuing the amending order should be the same authority	
	whose certification was submitted at the time of the issue of the original passport. The	
	Competent Authority in such cases can be Municipal Authorities (for date/place of birth and	
	Educational Board Authority (for date of birth). Birth Certificate issued by Government/Municipal	
	authorities.	
7	BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE	Self-Attested
	Birth certificate/ School leaving certificate having the correct name of father/mother	<u>copv</u>
8	INDIAN ADDRESS	Self-Attested
	Applicants must write their Indian address / last known Indian address in the Passport Application	<u>copy</u>
	Form. This could be in either the 'To be printed on Passport' or 'Other Address Details' columns or	
	the same Indian address can be mentioned in both the columns.	

(Signature of the Applicant)

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#### Important Notes / Common Mistakes to avoid

#### **COMMON MISTAKES TO AVOID**

- Wrong Jurisdiction selection done by Applicant on the Govt. form
- CAPITAL LETTERS must be used to fill the Online Passport Application form on the Government Website.
- Please Sign the Passport Application Form wherever indicated before submission
- Ensure that the signatures on the passport and on the Application Form are the same
- Given Name on Govt. Form does not match with the name mentioned on Current Indian Passport.
- Surname on Govt. Form does not match with the name mentioned on Current Indian Passport
- Date of birth on Govt. Form does not match with the date of birth mentioned on Current Indian Passport
- Sex on Govt. Form does not match with the sex details mentioned on Current Indian Passport.
- Passport number on Govt. Form does not match with the passport number mentioned on Current Indian Passport.
- Place of birth on Govt. Form does not match with the place of birth mentioned on Current Indian Passport.
- ssue date of passport on Govt. Form does not match with the issue date of passport mentioned on Current Indian Passport.
- Place of issue on Govt. Form does not match with the place of issue on mentioned on Current Indian Passport.
- Address on the government form does not match with the address on the Current Indian Passport.
- Nationality mentioned on the government form does not match with the nationality on the Current Indian Passport.
- Ensure that the following details are the same as mentioned in your old passport. If not, the supporting documents must be attached.
  - o Name Applicant's Spouse Name Applicant's Father Name
- Sensure that in the Place of Birth field, you do not put 'India' as the city and state
- If you have more than 1 original Passport, then you need to provide the copies of all the passports
- Only print your forms/applications on 1 side of the page. Double-sided printouts are not allowed
- DO NOT staple your photographs/documents
- The Documents in the Checklist are mandatory for the application to be processed.
- The Indian Embassy / Consulates have the right to request additional documentation.
- ❖ 1 Copy of this checklist must be submitted with your documents.
- ❖ Applicants are advised that they **DO NOT** print the document on both sides of the paper as "DOUBLE SIDED
- HANDWRITTEN DOCUMENTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED
- Application with a lack of documents will be considered incomplete and will remain on hold for 21 days. On none receipt of the missing documents, the application shall be Abandoned and returned to the applicant. In this case, the applicant would have to restart the entire process again since the old application will be voided.
- Only Consular fee + ICWF fee will be refunded back to the applicant in case the application is rejected or abandoned