

Regarding Birth Certificates

In order for a birth certificate to be acceptable proof of citizenship, it must be an **original certified** birth certificate and include **all** of the following:

- Full given name
- Date of Birth
- Place of Birth
- Signature of the registrar
- Authorized seal of the registrar's office
- A filing date within one year of the birth

Bring one photocopy with the certified birth certificate.

If you do not have a birth certificate, you may apply to your birth state or local office for a certified copy. For out of state information call Vital Check Network, Inc. at (800) 255-2414 or visit their website: <http://www.vitalcheck.com>

Processing Times (effective October 2, 2023)

If you are **traveling within 14 days** and require a passport, you may contact the San Francisco Passport Agency at (877) 487-2778 to schedule an appointment.

ROUTINE SERVICE

8 to 11 weeks from the day the application is received at the passport agency or center, not the day the customer applied at the acceptance facility. Mail times may vary.

EXPEDITED SERVICE (additional \$60 per application)

5 to 7 weeks from the day the application is received at the passport agency or center, not the day the customer applied at the acceptance facility. Mail times may vary. For optional faster shipping from the U.S. Department of State to the customer, a 1 to 2 day delivery service fee may be paid in addition to the expedited service fee. Please see fee schedule for cost.

PASSPORT APPLICATION STATUS

You may check the status of your passport application at www.travel.state.gov. Please do not contact the acceptance facility for passport application status.

Incomplete submissions will delay passport issuance.

For more information, visit the US Department of State's website, www.travel.state.gov or call (877) 487-2778 for customer service and travel advisory.



CHECKLIST

- Completed application. (Use black ink only)**
Applications are available at the City of Richmond City Clerk's Office or www.Travel.State.gov.
Complete the application before appointment or the appointment will be rescheduled.
DO NOT SIGN THE APPLICATION
 - Evidence of US citizenship and a photocopy.**
 - Original certified birth certificate and photocopy. (See "Regarding Birth Certificates); or
 - Previous passport and photocopy; or
 - Certificate of Naturalization and photocopy.
 - Identification.** Driver's license, CA state ID Card and one photocopy (front and back).
 - Passport photo.** Please bring one 2" x 2" passport photo. *No photo service available.*
 - Fees.** Two separate payments are required at the time of application for each application.
 - Additional documents (if applicable).** Please bring original legal documents for name change and sole custody for minors under 16 years of age.
- CASH OR CREDIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED**
Please bring Checks or Money Orders Only.

CITY OF RICHMOND

Office of the City Clerk



City Hall

450 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 300
Richmond, California 94804

Passport Services

By Appointment Only:

Monday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
(Closed 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

No Walk-ins

Get a passport in time for your trip

FOR QUESTIONS OR SCHEDULING OF APPOINTMENTS

PLEASE CALL (510) 620-6786
www.ci.richmond.ca.us/passports

As a United States Department of State Passport Acceptance Facility, the City of Richmond offers one-stop service for your passport needs.

Passport application processing hours (*by appointment only*) are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.) at the Office of the City Clerk, located at City Hall, 450 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 300. **Appointments Must Be Made By Calling (510) 620-6786. No Walk-ins.**

No passport services are available on Tuesday or Friday.

Application Information

If you have never been issued a U.S. passport, OR are not eligible to use Form DS-82 for renewals; you need to complete Form DS-11, *Application for Passport*. ALL applicants must appear in person.

Required Information includes:

- Date and Place of Birth
- Social Security Number
- Identification. Driver’s license, CA state ID card
- Parents’ names, dates and places of birth
- Emergency contact person (not mandatory)
- Occupation
- Travel plans (approximate if not final)

Application for Minors

- **Under 16** – Effective July 2, 2001, **both** parents must appear in-person, present evidence of the child’s citizenship, present evidence that they are the child’s parents, show valid personal ID, sign the application, and take the oath.
- **16 to 17** – May apply with one parent. Where the minor is unable to present photo ID with signature, a parent **must** appear to identify the child.

When a 16 to 17 year old, with a driver’s license, is applying without a parent, it is advisable that the parent write the check for payment of fees.

INCOMPLETE SUBMISSIONS WILL DELAY PASSPORT ISSUANCE.

What You Need

- **Completed application.** (*Use black ink only*)
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- **Evidence of US citizenship (and photocopy).**
 - ◆ Original certified birth certificate and photocopy (see “Regarding Birth Certificates); or
 - ◆ Previous passport and photocopy; or
 - ◆ Certificate of Naturalization and photocopy.
- **Identification.** Driver’s license, CA state ID card and one photocopy (front and back).
- **Passport photo.** Please bring one 2” x 2” passport photo. **No photo service available.**
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- **Additional documents (if applicable).** Legal documents for name change and sole custody.



Renewals

- **Minors under 16** must apply for a new passport using Form DS-11, *Application for Passport*, in-person with both parents.
- **Adults** should refer to the U.S. Department of State’s website at www.travel.state.gov for passport renewal instructions.

Applicants cannot file Form DS-82, Passport Renewal Application, at acceptance facilities. Renewal applications must be mailed by the applicant directly to the U.S. Department of State processing center. The full instructions are on page two of the DS-82 passport renewal form.

Validity

- A passport issued to a person **under 16** will be valid for **5 years**.
- A passport issued to a person **16 and over** will be valid for **10 years**.

| | Passport Book Fee | Execution Fee | Total Fees |
|------------------------------|--|---|--------------|
| | Check or Money Order payable to US Dept of State | Cash or Check payable to City of Richmond | |
| Age 16 & over | \$130 | \$35 | \$165 |
| Age 15 & under | \$100 | \$35 | \$135 |
| Additional Services and Fees | | | |
| Expedite Processing Fee | \$60 per application | | |
| 1 to 2 Day Delivery Fee | \$19.53 per application | | |
| Photocopies | | \$.10 cents per page | |

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Fees May Change Without Notice