

**Information on Passport Photo Requirements**

**General Requirements**

* Passport photos must be **2 inches by 2 inches**
* The applicant’s **head should be centered** in the frame
* The applicant’s **full head** must be showing, from the top of the hair to the bottom of the chin
* The applicant should be **facing toward the camera** and have a **neutral expression**
* Photos must have been taken in the last **30 days** to reflect the applicant’s current appearance
* The applicant’s **A-number** must be written in pencil on the back of each photo

A general example is below:



**Eyeglasses** worn on a daily basis should be worn in the passport photo. There should be no glare from the lenses. **Sunglasses** are only allowed for medical reasons.

**Head coverings** may only be worn for religious reasons. Head coverings may not obscure the hair line or cast shadows on the face.

New photos are only required if there has been **a significant change in the applicant’s appearance**. Growing or shaving a beard or dyeing hair is not considered a significant change.