

## PUTNAM COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

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# DS-11 PASSPORT BOOK AND CARD REQUIREMENTS

## 1. ADULT (AGE SIXTEEN AND OLDER) REQUIREMENTS:

### A. PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP

- 1. A person born in the United States must submit United States birth certificate containing the names of both parents with raised impression seal; certificate must be issued by a municipality. Birth date must be correct and stated thereon; filing date of birth must also be stated thereon. The birth certificate must be filed within one year of birth. Hospital birth records or baptismal certificates are not acceptable; or
- 2. A naturalized citizen must submit original certificate of naturalization **or**
- 3. A previous United States passport can be submitted for proof of United States citizenship.

### B. PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION

- 1. A valid driver's license.
- 2. If applicant does not have a driver's license, they must present two forms of picture identification, and must appear with an identifying witness who has known them for two years and is a United States citizen.
- C. Social security number, and parents' information is mandatory for acceptance of passport application.
- D. One color photograph, 2" x 2", full-face view, white background, taken within the last six months. Applicant's image must be centered in the photograph.
- E. Adult passport books & cards are valid for ten (10) years from the date of issue

## 2.CHILDREN (UNDER THE AGE OF SIXTEEN) REQUIREMENTS:

#### A. PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP

- 1. A child born in the United States must submit United States birth certificate containing the names of both parents with raised impression seal; certificate must be issued by a municipality. Birth date must be correct and stated thereon; filing date of birth must also be stated thereon. The birth certificate must be filed within one year of birth. Hospital birth records or baptismal certificates are not acceptable; or
- 2. A naturalized citizen must submit original certificate of naturalization **or**

3. A previous United States passport can be submitted for proof of United States citizenship; however, children under the age of 16 **MUST** submit birth certificate as well.

#### B. PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Children under the age of sixteen **must** appear in person.
- 2. Both parents must appear together, sign application, and present their valid identification or
- 3. One parent appears, signs, and submits second parent's written **notarized** statement consenting to passport issuance for child along with a photocopy of the front and back of said parents valid identification **or**
- 4. One parent appears, signs, and submits a written statement with primary evidence illustrating sole authority or special circumstances to apply
- C. Social security number, and parents' information is mandatory for acceptance of passport application.
- D. One color photograph, 2" x 2", full-face view, against a white background, taken within the last six months. Applicant's image must be centered in the photograph.
- E. Children's passport books & cards are valid for five (5) years from the date of issue

## PASSPORT CARD

1. Applicants may now apply for a U.S. Passport Card which provides an alternative for traveling by land or sea to Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and Bermuda. Applicants must follow the same requirements as a passport book.

### FEE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Adults sixteen years of age and older using **DS-11:** \$130.00 for a book and \$30.00 for a card by personal check or money order made payable to **Department of State**.
- 2. Children under the age of sixteen using **DS-11:** \$100.00 for a book and \$15.00 for a card by personal check or money order made payable to **Department of State**.
- 3. All applicants must pay a separate, additional \$35.00 fee in cash or check for processing of a **DS-11** form. Checks for the processing fees can be made payable to **Putnam County Clerk**.
- 4.In rare cases where urgent departure is required in at least 15 working days, or Visas are needed for departure, you may be eligible for **Expedited Service**. For Expedited Service an additional fee of **\$60.00**, personal check or money order made payable to **Department of State**., will ensure processing of the passport within 15 business days.
- 5. Photographs are available on site for \$10.00 per set of two.

HOURS OF OPERATION
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 9AM TO 4PM
SUMMER HOURS (MID JUNE THROUGH MID SEPTEMBER) 8AM TO 3PM