

Acceptable and Extra Identification for the Passport Office

When you applied in person, you had to show the acceptance agent an ID (e.g. driver's license). If you received a letter or email asking for more identification, it's best to send as many forms of ID as you have available (ID issued over 5 years ago is preferred). You can send photocopies of the IDs (front and back). For a list of acceptable IDs, please see Identification.

Primary IDs (submit one)

In-state, fully valid driver's license (not temporary or learner's permit)

Fully-valid, undamaged U.S. passport book or passport card (with recognizable photo, can be expired)

Certificate of Naturalization (with recognizable photo)

Certificate of Citizenship (with recognizable photo)

Government employee ID (city, county, state, or federal)

U.S. military or military dependent ID

Current (valid) foreign passport

Matricula Consular (Mexican Consular ID) - commonly used by a parent of a U.S. citizen child applicant

Permanent resident card (Green Card) - commonly used by a parent of a U.S. citizen child applicant

Secondary IDs (submit a combination)

In-state, fully valid non-driver ID

Out-of-state driver's license

Out-of-state non-driver ID

Social Security card

Learner's or temporary driver's permit

Voter registration card

Employee ID

Student ID

Selective Service (draft) card

Medicare or other health card

Expired driver's license

Form DS-71, for an Identifying Witness (only available at your local Acceptance Facility or a Passport Agency).

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