

High Commission of the Republic of Mauritius CANBERRA

INFORMATION NOTE ON APPLICATION FOR A NEW MAURITIUS PASSPORT

To apply for a new Mauritian passport, applicants are required to forward to the Mauritius High Commission the Application Form (PF136), **duly filled-in and signed in black ink (if applicant cannot sign, the right thumbprint should be affixed in the presence of a Police Officer)** together with relevant documents (as mentioned in the Checklist).

The Passport fees are as follows:

A money order **drawn in favour of the Mauritius High Commission** should also accompany the application.

Type of Passport	Validity	Remarks	Passport Fees
Minor	5 years	Issued to children under the age of 16 years	AU\$ 43
Young Person	10 years	Persons who are 16 years and above but under 18 years	AU\$ 55
Adult	10 years	Citizens of Mauritius of 18 years and above	AU\$ 55
Senior Citizen	10 years	Citizens who are over 55 years	AU\$ 43
Lost/Damaged Passport (First issue)			AU\$ 227
Lost/Damaged Passport (Second Issue)			AU\$ 627

All relevant sections (on pages 1 to 4) need to be filled appropriately. Applicants may request for information from the High Commission in case of doubt.

For minors, applicants are also informed as follows:

- i. **Paragraph 4A Consent of Parents or Guardian for application by Minors (under 18 years)** The signatures of the parents should match those appearing on either their National Identity Cards and Passports.
- Paragraph 4B Certification of Consent The name of the Officer signing and Office Stamp must be legible. The certification of consent should be given in front of one of the following Official/Department: Mauritius High Commission, Police Station, Judiciary, Court of Law, Notary. In case consent is not given thereat, the applicant should fax a Consent Letter directly (and only) to the Passport & Immigration Office, Mauritius Fax No. +230 210 9322.

As far as possible, applicants must come <u>in person</u> to collect their passports. In case the applicants cannot come personally, they may either:

(a) Provide the High Commission with a self-addressed registered envelope, for which the applicant must take the Extra Cover option with Australia Post to cover the package in case of loss or damage, while it shall be carried by Australia Post. The applicant must also provide a letter of undertaking stating that he/she will assume all responsibility for any

loss of or damage to the passport(s) and that the Mauritius High Commission and the Government of Mauritius will not be liable for any loss of or damage to the new passport(s).

<u>OR</u>

(b) Delegate somebody (or a reputed and reliable company), at their own cost, to collect their passport(s) on their behalf. In such a case, the applicant must send an authorization letter to the High Commission, providing details of the collector and indicating that the applicant will assume all responsibility for any loss of or damage to the passport and that the Mauritius High Commission and the Government of Mauritius will not be liable for any loss of or damage to the new passport.

It usually takes around 60-90 days for the issue of a new passport as from date of submission (depending on time of submission as dispatches are sent to the Immigration Office at the end of each calendar month).

CHECKLIST OF DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED (ORIGINAL and 2 CERTIFIED photocopies)

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A. ALL APPLICANTS

- Application Form(P.F. 136), duly filled-in (available on http://passport.govmu.org/English/Documents/passport%20Documents/PF%20136New2013.pdf
- Two identical recent passport size colored photographs as per photo specifications mentioned at the NOTES on the application form
- Birth Certificate
- Residency Status in Australia- visa/Certificate of Citizenship
- Naturalisation/Registration Certificate (where applicable)
- Documentary Evidence for Change of Name (where applicable) (*Please note that change of name to be made executory in Mauritius*)
- Money Order drawn in favour of the Mauritius High Commission
- Letter of authorisation in case the new passport is being collected by a person/courier company delegated by the applicant
- A self-addressed <u>registered</u> envelope (A4 size), with Extra Cover option, in case the new passport and original documents have to be sent to the applicant by post
- A letter of undertaking, in case the passports and original documents will not be collected by the applicant in person.
- New Mauritian National Identity Card of applicant

In case the applicant does not hold the Mauritian National Identity Card, he/she should provide a letter as applicable with the following wordings:

1) APPLICANTS WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN ISSUED WITH MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD

The applicant should mention in his/her letter that he/she has never been issued a Mauritius National Identity Card and undertakes that he/she will do needful on his next visit to Mauritius. A copy of alternative identification document such as foreign passport or driving licence should be attached (if available)

2) APPLICANTS WHO ARE HOLDERS OF OLD MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD AND NOT YET APPLY FOR THE NEW MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD The applicant should mention in his/her letter that he/she still holds the old Mauritius National Identity Card and has not yet apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new MNIC on his/her next visit to Mauritius. <u>A certified copy of the old Mauritius National Identity Card should be attached with the letter</u>.

3) THE OLD MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD OF APPLICANT HAS BEEN LOST OR MISPLACED

The applicant should mention in his/her letter that his/her old Mauritius National Identity Card has been lost or misplaced. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card on his/her next visit to Mauritius. A copy of alternative identification document such as foreign passport or driving licence should be attached (if available)

4) HOLDER OF OLD MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD WHICH IS BLURRED OR PARTLY DAMAGED

The applicant should mention in his/her letter that he/she still holds the old Mauritius National Identity Card but same is blurred or partly damaged and is difficult to read. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card on his/her next visit to Mauritius. <u>A certified copy of the old Mauritius</u> National Identity Card should be attached with the letter.

Originals of all documents need to be produced for verification.

B. FOR MARRIED WOMEN

- Documents mentioned at Section A
- Marriage Certificate
- Divorce Decree(if applicable)

C. FOR LOST OR DAMAGED PASSPORTS

- Documents mentioned at Section A
- Original Statutory Police Declaration (for lost and damaged passport)
- If passport is damaged, applicant should submit the damaged passport and a letter explaining how the passport was damaged

D. FOR MINORS

- Documents mentioned at Section A
- Birth Certificates of parents/guardians
- Australian Certificate of Citizenship of Mauritian-born parent transmitting Mauritian citizenship to the applicant; or Residence Visa of Mauritian-born parent transmitting Mauritian citizenship to the applicant
- Naturalisation/Registration Certificate of Mauritian-born parent (in case he/she was registered or naturalised in Mauritius or resumed Mauritius citizenship) transmitting Mauritian citizenship to applicant
- Judge's Order (where applicable)
- Copy of Mauritius and/or Foreign Passports of Parents (where applicable)
- New Mauritian National Identity Cards of <u>BOTH</u> parents/guardians

In case the parents/guardians do not hold the Mauritian National Identity cards, they should provide a letter as applicable with the following wordings:

1) PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN ISSUED WITH MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD

The parent/guardian should mention in his/her letter that he/she has never been issued a Mauritius National Identity Card and undertakes that they will do needful on his next visit to Mauritius. A copy of alternative identification document such as foreign passport or driving licence should be attached (if available)

2) PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO ARE HOLDERS OF OLD NIC AND NOT YET APPLY FOR THE NEW MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD

The parent/guardian applicant should mention in his/her letter that he/she still holds the old Mauritius National Identity Card and has not yet apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card on his/her next visit to Mauritius. <u>A certified copy of</u> the old Mauritius National Identity Card should be attached with the letter.

3) THE OLD MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS HAS BEEN LOST OR MISPLACED

The parent/guardian should mention in his/her letter that his/her old Mauritius National Identity Card has been lost or misplaced. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card on his/her next visit to Mauritius. A copy of alternative identification document such as foreign passport or driving licence should be attached (if available)

4) PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO HOLD AN OLD MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD WHICH IS BLURRED OR PARTLY DAMAGED

The parent/guardian should mention in his/her letter that he/she still holds the old Mauritius National Identity Card but same is blurred or partly damaged and is difficult to read. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card on his/her next visit to Mauritius. A certified copy of the old Mauritius National Identity Card should be attached with the letter.

E. FOR PERSON BORN OUTSIDE MAURITIUS WITH A PARENT BORN IN MAURITIUS

- Documents mentioned at Section A
- Birth Certificates of parents/guardians
- Certificate of foreign Citizenship/Residence Permit/Visa of Applicant
- Australian Certificate of Citizenship of Mauritian-born parent transmitting Mauritian citizenship to the applicant; or Residence Visa of Mauritian-born parent transmitting Mauritian citizenship to the applicant
- Naturalisation/Registration Certificate of Mauritian-born parent (in case he/she was registered or naturalised in Mauritius or resumed Mauritius citizenship) transmitting Mauritian citizenship to applicant
- Copy of Foreign Passport of applicant and parents (if applicable)
- Mauritian National Identity Cards of Mauritian-born parents/guardians

In case the parent/guardian does not hold the Mauritian National Identity cards (MNIC), they should provide a letter as applicable with the following wordings:

1) PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN ISSUED WITH MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD

The parent/guardian should mention in his/her letter that he/she has never been issued a Mauritius National Identity Card and undertakes that they will do needful on his next visit to Mauritius. A copy of alternative identification document such as foreign passport or driving licence should be attached (if available)

2) PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO ARE HOLDERS OF OLD NIC AND NOT YET APPLY FOR THE NEW MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD

The parent/guardian applicant should mention in his/her letter that he/she still holds the old Mauritius National Identity Card and has not yet apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card on his/her next visit to Mauritius. <u>A certified copy of the old Mauritius National Identity Card should be attached with the letter</u>.

3) THE OLD MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS HAS BEEN LOST OR MISPLACED

The parent/guardian should mention in his/her letter that his/her old Mauritius National Identity Card has been lost or misplaced. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card on his/her next visit to Mauritius. A copy of alternative identification document such as foreign passport or driving licence should be attached (if available)

4) PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO HOLD AN OLD MAURITIUS NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD WHICH IS BLURRED OR PARTLY DAMAGED

The parent/guardian should mention in his/her letter that he/she still holds the old Mauritius National Identity Card but same is blurred or partly damaged and is difficult to read. He/ She undertakes that he/she will apply for the new Mauritius National Identity Card on his/her next visit to Mauritius. A certified copy of the old Mauritius National Identity Card should be attached with the letter.

Please read the Notes on the Application Form and affix your initial thereon.