Photograph Specifications for Jamaican Passports

In order to produce the right quality photographs for the Jamaican passport, please note the following guidelines:

PHOTOGRAPH SIZE At Least 2mm 25mm - 35mm

PHOTOGRAPHS MUST BE:

- · 45 millimetres (length) x 35 millimetres (width)
- · A close-up of the face and shoulders so that the face covers approximately 65 to 75% of the photograph
- · With a margin of no less than 2mm from the top of the head (including hair) to the edge of the photograph
- · Showing the length of the face to be 25mm to 35mm from chin to the top of the head

BACKGROUND





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The photograph should be taken in colour against a plain background.

· Applicants should avoid wearing white clothing and should have the

· Applicants with grey/white hair should have their photograph taken

Only the applicant should be visible in the photograph. Any object,

including the back of chairs, flowers, patterns etc., in the background

There must be no other person or objects in the photograph.

photograph taken against a pastel shaded background.

against a pale blue or pastel background.

There should be no background shadows.

of a photograph is unacceptable.



Two (2) passport-sized photographs are required for a passport application.

PHOTOGRAPH QUALITY

- · The two photos must be identical.
- The photographs should not be more than 6 months old.
- The photographs must be in sharp focus, high quality with no creases or ink marks
- Photographs should be printed on high quality paper (semi-gloss recommended) with a high quality resolution (1200 DPI recommended).
- A professional camera is recommended (8 mega pixels and above).
- The photograph should show the applicant looking directly at the camera. It should have the appropriate brightness and contrast. It should show color and skin tones naturally.











STYLE AND LIGHTING

Excessive light reflections on the image is unacceptable.

Light distribution should be even throughout photograph.

Lighting must be uniformed with no shadows or reflections on the face or in the background.

Both edges of the face must be clearly visible; as far as possible both ears ought to be visible.

There should be no 'red' eyes.

The photograph should be colour neutral and should reflect applicant's natural skin tone.





Red bleeding from blouse





DRESS AND ATTIRE

Photographs should display appropriately clad images; exposed shoulders and chest should be avoided.

Bright coloured clothing is not recommended. Where bright-coloured clothing is worn, the colour of the clothes should not reflect on any part of the face.

Dark attire is recommended.











POSE AND EXPRESSION

The photograph should show the subject facing forward, looking directly at the camera.

Photographs should provide a full frontal view of the head, neck and top of the shoulders with ears clearly visible.

Expression should be neutral. Smiling is not acceptable

Eyes must be shown open and clearly visible.



I certify that this is a true perotograph of

MalcolmBorner

JP# 123

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Smudged, staple holes



Photo creased and tattered

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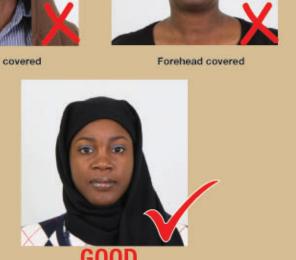
(HANDELING OF PHOTOGRAPHS) Stamps or seals should not be affixed to photographs.

Only one photograph should be certified, which should bear the inscription: "I certify that this is a true photograph of the applicant".

Do not affix photo to application form.

Avoid the use of paperclips and staples as these can damage the image/photo.

Carry photographs in proper packaging to preserve quality.



(for religious reasons only)



Applicants should not wear head covering while taking photographs. However, it is permitted only for religious reasons.

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Where head gear is worn for religious reasons, facial features, including the outline of the face from bottom of chin to top of forehead, must be

There should be no hair across the eyes

or on the forehead.

HEAD COVERING

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EYE GLASSES

the eyeglasses.

Photographs must show eyes clearly. Heavy (thick) frames should be avoided, lighter frames are preferred.

Frames should not cover any part of the eyes. It is strongly recommended that glasses be removed.











There should be no reflections from Glasses should not have tinted lenses.