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Photograph and head size specifications









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Requirements

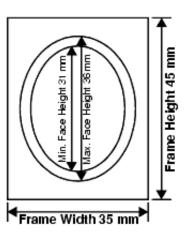
- Provide two (2) identical citizenship photographs (except Renunciation applications, where only one (1) photo is required.)
- Your photographs must comply with the specifications below. If the photographs do not meet the specifications, you will have to provide new photographs before your application can be processed.
- Photographs must be printed on quality photographic paper.
- Provide the name of the photographer or the studio, the studio address and the date the photos were taken on the back of the photos
- Print the name of the person on the back of the photos.

Specifications

- The photographs must be identical and taken within the last six months. They may be either black and white or colour.
- The photographs must be clear, well defined and taken against a plain white or light-coloured background.
- If the photographs are digital, they must not be altered in any way.
- Your face must be square to the camera with a neutral expression, neither frowning nor smiling, and with your mouth closed.
- You may wear non-tinted prescription glasses as long as your eyes are clearly visible. Make sure that the frame does not cover any part of your eyes. Sunglasses are not acceptable.
- A hairpiece or other cosmetic accessory is acceptable if it does not disguise your normal appearance.
- If you must wear a head covering for religious reasons, make sure your full facial features are not obscured.

Photograph and head size specifications

• The frame size must be at least 35 mm x 45 mm (1 3/8" x



1 3/4").

- The photographs must show the full front view of the head, with the face in the middle of the photograph, and include the top of the shoulders.
- The size of the head, from chin to crown, must be between 31 mm (1 1/4") and 36 mm (1 7/16").
- Crown means the top of the head or (if obscured by hair or a head covering) where the top of the head or skull would be if it could be seen.
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How-to video



Save Time: Send a Complete Application

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