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# How To Get Expedited New Passports

If you are new to traveling abroad, you might not know what travel documents are required for your destination. It is important that this be one of the first things you learn as you plan your trip. If the trip is sudden, or there is limited time for planning, you might find that you need to obtain an [expedited new USA passport](#).

When applying for the first time, there are some basic application and document requirements that should be understood, in order to make the process smooth and error-free. The traveler must complete the official application and submit it to the appropriate agency. The supporting documentation that goes with the application includes a piece of personal identification matching the applicants name, and a photocopy of that same piece of identification. In addition, proof of citizenship must be presented, as well as two color photos of the applicant that meet the size specifications. Also, a fee must be paid at the time of application.

If speed in obtaining the passport is your objective, there are at least two options available to you. The first is to pay an additional fee to the issuing agency in exchange for faster service in processing your application. The second is to hire a private company that provides the services of assisting travelers in navigating the application paperwork and process

As a first time applicant, you must appear in person at a Passport Agency office or an Acceptance Facility with your [passport application form](#) and supporting documents. An Acceptance Facility is likely to be more convenient, as these are usually located in a post office or other government office. If normal lead times for the issuing agency are not adequate for your travel needs, you must bypass the normal processing sequence by making an appointment with an agent at a Regional Passport Agency. At this appointment you would request faster service, prove the need for it, and then present your application paperwork to the agent. There is a higher fee to use this faster service.

Another option is to hire a private company to assist you with the application process. Since this is their business, they know how to get it done efficiently, which might be just what you need to ease your mind about getting it completed in time. The company would provide you with detailed instructions of what you need to send them and then they would complete the application process for you. But, dont get the idea that they can do everything for you. Even when using one of these companies, the applicant still must start the application process by appearing at an Acceptance Facility with the completed paperwork.

These companies are in business to provide a service to travelers by shortening the time to get documents. They charge for these services and the more urgent the need, the higher the fee. Some promise they can get a passport application through the process in less than two weeks and even as little as one day. If the requirement is speed, one of these companies might be the right solution.

If you have determined that a private company can best meet your needs, then selecting the right one is the next step. Since time is in short supply, it is important to evaluate the history and reputation of the company to ensure that it is the best one for your circumstance. Another factor might be the cost of using the company, as fees do vary from one to the next. There is generally a range of fees that are dependent on your time frame. The less time you have the higher the fee.

In the fast paced society of the modern world, not having a passport shouldnt be a big concern should a sudden trip present itself. Whether using the standard agency, or a private company, most individuals needs can be met. As long as the application and supporting documents can be obtained in a timely manner, there is a way to get an [expedited new U.S. passport](#). Knowing this, the only worry is what to pack.

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