

**Consulate General of India
Shanghai**

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Revised instruction guidelines on Re-issuance of OCI cards due to Issuance of new foreign passports to OCI cardholders (20.04.2021)

(i) Mandatory requirement of re-issuance of an OCI card each time a new passport is issued to a foreigner up to **20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age is dispensed** with.

(ii) OCI cardholder is required to get the OCI card **re-issued only once when a new passport is issued after completing 20 years of age.**

(iii) OCI cardholder is required to **upload ONLINE** a copy of the **new passport and a latest photo each time** a new passport is issued up to 20 years of age and **once** after completing 50 years of age. The uploading of these documents may be done within **three months** of receipt of the new passport. The service will be provided on Gratis basis.

(iv) Foreign Spouse of an Indian Citizen or spouse of foreign origin of an OCI cardholder are required to upload a copy of the **new passport and also a latest photo ONLINE each time** a new passport is issued along with a declaration on subsisting of marriage, copy of the Indian passport of the Indian spouse/passport & OCI card of the OCI cardholder spouse.

(v) **Timeline for re-issuance of OCI card in r/o OCI cardholders who may be required to get their OCI card re-issued has been extended till 31 December, 2021.**

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| 1 | There was a mandatory requirement of re-issuance of an OCI card each time a new passport is issued to a foreigner up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age | It is dispensed with. |
| 2 | There was a mandatory requirement of re-issuance of an OCI card each time a new passport is issued to a foreigner up to 20 years of age. | OCI cardholder is required to get the OCI card re-issued only once when a new passport is issued after completing 20 years of age. |

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| 3 | <p>There was a mandatory requirement of re-issuance of an OCI card each time a new passport is issued to a foreigner up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age. However, reissuance of OCI card is not mandatory each time a new passport is issued between 21 and 50 years of age.</p> | <p>a) OCI cardholder is required to upload ONLINE a copy of the new passport and a latest photo each time a new passport is issued up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age. The uploading of these documents may be done within three months of receipt of the new passport.</p> <p>b) <u>If New Passport issued to foreign spouse:</u> Foreign Spouse of an Indian Citizen or spouse of foreign origin of an OCI cardholder are required to upload a copy of the new passport and also a latest photo ONLINE each time a new passport is issued along with a declaration on subsisting of marriage, copy of the Indian passport of the Indian spouse/passport & OCI card of the OCI cardholder spouse.</p> |
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Note: Timeline for re-issuance of OCI card in r/o OCI cardholders who may be required to get their OCI card re-issued has been extended till 31 December, 2021.

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