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, 2022.

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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.

3	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.

- 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.
- b) If New Passport issued to foreign spouse: 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.

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, 2022.