



## Photo Requirements

Your photo is a vital part of your visa application. To learn more, review the information below on how to provide a suitable photo. The acceptance of your photo is at the discretion of the IR.IRAN Embassy or consulate where you apply.

We recommend you use a professional visa photo service to ensure your photo meets all the requirements. Please remember that photos must not be digitally enhanced or altered to change your appearance in any way.

### **Your passport photos must be:**

- *In color*
- *In JPEG (.jpg or .jpeg) file format*
- *Equal to or less than 500 kB (kilobytes) in file size (less than 10 kB is not accepted)*
- *In a rectangular aspect ratio (height must be greater than width)*
- *Be sized in 400(minimum-width) x 600(minimum-height) pixels, with about 70-80% part of the photo must be filled by the applicant's face*



- *Taken within the last 6 months to reflect your current appearance*
- *Taken in front of a plain white or off-white background*
- *Taken in full-face view directly facing the camera*
- *With a neutral facial expression and both eyes open*
- *Taken in clothing that you normally wear on a daily basis*
- *Uniforms should not be worn in your photo, except religious clothing that is worn daily.*
- *Do not wear a hat or head covering that obscures the hair or hairline, unless worn daily for a religious purpose. Your full face must be visible, and the head covering must not cast any shadows on your face.*

- *Headphones, wireless hands-free devices, or similar items are not acceptable in your photo.*
- *Eyeglasses are not allowed in visa photos, except in rare circumstances when eyeglasses cannot be removed for medical reasons; e.g., the applicant has recently had ocular surgery and the eyeglasses are necessary to protect the applicant's eyes. A medical statement signed by a medical professional/health practitioner must be provided in these cases. If the eyeglasses are accepted for medical reasons:*
  - *The frames of the eyeglasses must not cover the eye(s).*
  - *There must not be glare on eyeglasses that obscures the eye(s).*
  - *There must not be shadows or refraction from the eyeglasses that obscures the eye(s).*
- *Photos digitally scanned from driver's licenses or other official documents are not acceptable. In addition, snapshots, magazine photos, low quality vending machine or mobile phone photos, and full-length photographs are not acceptable.*

## ***Change of Appearance***

*If your photo(s) or digital image does not reflect your current appearance, even if it is not older than 6 months, the IR.IRAN Embassy or consulate will request that you provide a new photo with your application.*

*Applicants will be requested to obtain a new photo if they have:*

- **Undergone significant facial surgery or trauma**
- **Added or removed numerous/large facial piercings or tattoos**
- **Undergone a significant amount of weight loss or gain**
- **Made a gender transition**

*Generally, if you can still be identified from the photo in your visa application, you will not need to submit a new photo. For example, growing a beard or coloring your hair would not generally be considered a significant change of appearance.*

*If the appearance of your child under the age of 16 has changed due to the normal aging process, he or she will generally not have to provide a new photo. However, the acceptance of your photo or digital image is at the discretion of the IR.IRAN Embassy or consulate where you apply.*

## ***Taking photos of your baby or toddler***

*When taking a photo of your baby or toddler, no other person should be in the photo, and your child should be looking at the camera with his or her eyes open.*

Tip1:

*Lay your baby on his or her back on a plain white or off-white sheet. This will ensure your baby's head is supported and provide a plain background for the photo. Make certain there are no shadows on your baby's face, especially if you take a picture from above with the baby lying down.*

Tip2:

*Cover a car seat with a plain white or off-white sheet and take a picture of your child in the car seat. This will also ensure your baby's head is supported.*