### DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS

PASSPORT DIVISION

# GUIDELINES on NEW PHOTO REQUIREMENTS for MACHINE-READABLE PASSPORT

The PASSPORT DIVISION requires that the passport photos of the applicant should comply with the following guidelines consistent with International Standards.

# GENERAL RULE:

**Philippines** 

The photograph of the Passport Holder is important because it verifies the identity of the holder. It allows the Immigration Officer / Proper Authorities to identify the Passport Holder.

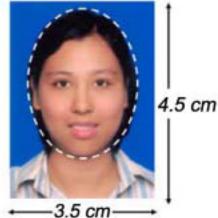
## BACKGROUND COLOR, POSE AND IMAGE SIZE

Background color should be

Full frontal facial image

ROYAL BLUE or dark blue

Image of the applicant should occupy approximately 70% - 80% of the photograph



#### **CROPPING:**

There should be at least 8mm -10mm space at the top of the photo between the edge of the photo and the crown/head of the person to allow 'cropping' of the photo at the Passport Information Control Center.





#### MATTE PAPER PREFERRED:

Photograph should be printed on good quality photo paper, preferably MATTE. Photograph should be free from ink marks, dirt, grease, finger prints and paste stains.





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