

## **PHOTOGRAPH REQUIREMENTS FOR THE REGISTRATION PROCEDURE**

In order for photographs to be uploaded into the special registration system they must be in the \*.jpg or \*.png formats, with a maximum file size of 512Kb and a minimum image size of 420 pixels wide by 525 pixels high.

### *Image*

The face must be photographed strictly from the front (the chin and shoulders must be visible), with a neutral facial expression so that the features of the face are not distorted, with both eyes open and looking into the camera lens. The characteristic features of the face may not be distorted in any way. There must only be one person in the photograph.

### *Background*

The background should be a single color without any extra textures. Up to 10% grey or light blue is recommended for the background color.

### *Light*

The face should be evenly lit. Yellow or red lighting, or other colors, are not permitted. The lighting should not obstruct the natural color of the skin.

### *Glasses*

People who usually wear glasses may be shown wearing glasses in the photograph, as long as the glasses do not have tinted lenses. The glasses should be clean and transparent (with no marks), and the eyes should be clearly visible. The frames of the glasses should not obstruct the eyes. There should be no flash reflection off the glasses.

Bandages covering the eyes are only permitted for medical reasons, if the person is shown with a bandage in the photograph in his / her passport.

### *Headdresses*

People whose religious beliefs require them not to show themselves in public with head uncovered (for whom the wearing of a headdress at all times is a compulsory part of their culture

or religion) may be shown in the photograph wearing a headdress as long as this does not obstruct their face, if the person is also shown wearing a headdress in the photograph in his or her passport.

The color image may not be edited to improve its appearance. The image should display the whole spectrum of colors corresponding to reality.