



Embassy of India
Bahrain

Revised Guidelines on Re-issuance of OCI Cards due to Issuance of New Foreign Passports to OCI Cardholders

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

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

(iii) An OCI card holder may upload a copy of the new passport containing the photo of the passport holder and also a latest photo on the online system under OCI Miscellaneous Services each time a new passport is issued up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age. These documents may be uploaded by the OCI card holder within three months of receipt of the new passport. This service will be provided on gratis basis.

(iv) In the case of those who have been registered as OCI card holder as spouse of foreign origin of a citizen of India or spouse of foreign origin of an OCI card holder under section 7A(1) (d) of The Citizenship Act 1955, the OCI cardholder shall upload a copy of the new passport containing the photo of the passport holder and also a latest photo on the online system under OCI Miscellaneous Services each time a new passport is issued. In such cases, the OCI card holder and his/her Indian spouse or OCI cardholder spouse will have to give a declaration that their marriage is still subsisting. Copy of the Indian passport of the Indian spouse/passport and OCI card of the OCI cardholders spouse shall also be uploaded in such cases. These documents may be uploaded by the OCI cardholder foreigner spouse within three months of receipt of his/her new passport. This service will be provided on gratis basis.

(v) Immediately on uploading of the documents mentioned in (iii) and (iv) above, an email will be auto sent by the system to the OCI cardholder confirming that the documents have been successfully uploaded.

(vi) There will be no restriction on the OCI cardholder to travel to/ from India during the period from the date of issue of new passport till the date of final acknowledgement of his/ her documents in the online system.
