






# CAN YOU RENEW YOUR U.S. PASSPORT BY MAIL?



You can renew by mail if you answer 'yes' to ALL 5 statements below about your passport.

- 1.**  
You have your passport in your possession to submit with your application.  

- 2.**  
It's undamaged other than normal wear and tear.  

- 3.**  
Was issued when you were age 16 or older.  

- 4.**  
Was issued within the last 15 years.  

- 5.**  
Was issued in your current name or you can document your name change.  


If you answered 'NO' to any statement, you must apply in person.

If you live in **Canada**, you may be eligible to renew your passport by mail and avoid a trip to a U.S. embassy or consulate. If you live in any other country, you must renew your passport at a U.S. embassy or consulate.

Please see [Applying for a U.S. Passport from Outside the United States](#).