

Ask the U.S. Embassy - April 4, 2018

Question: I heard the U.S. passport fee increased. Is that true?

That is correct. Customers applying with the DS-11 form pay two separate fees: an *application fee* to the U.S. Department of State and the *execution fee* to the passport acceptance facility (such as the U.S. Embassy in Kingston). Effective April 2, 2018, the passport execution fee increased from \$25 to \$35. The \$10 execution fee increase applies to U.S. passport applicants using the DS-11 form including: first-time applicants over age 16, children under age 16 and applicants who reapply after reporting their previous passport lost or stolen - The total passport fee for such applicants increased by \$10. The \$10 fee increase does not apply to adults eligible to renew their passport using the DS-82 form. The application fee did not increase. For the latest fee schedule, visit travel.state.gov Below are the fees for Adult Renewals, Adult First-Time Applicants, and Child Applicants:

	Product	Form	Application Fee	Execution (Acceptance) Fee	Total Fee
Adult Renewal Applicants (16 and Older)	Passport Book	<u>DS-82</u>	\$110	\$0	\$110
	Passport Card	<u>DS-82</u>	\$30	\$0	\$30
	Passport Book & Card	<u>DS-82</u>	\$140	\$0	\$140
Adult First-Time Applicants (16 and Older)	Passport Book	<u>DS-11</u>	\$110	\$35	\$145
	Passport Card	<u>DS-11</u>	\$30	\$35	\$65
	Passport Book & Card	<u>DS-11</u>	\$140	\$35	\$175
Child Applicants (Under 16)	Passport Book	<u>DS-11</u>	\$80	\$35	\$115
	Passport Card	<u>DS-11</u>	\$15	\$35	\$50
	Passport Book & Card	<u>DS-11</u>	\$95	\$35	\$130

Question: Why did the fee increase?

The Department of State generally sets consular fees at an amount calculated to achieve recovery of the costs to the U.S. government of providing the consular service. The latest Cost of Service Model showed that the costs associated with passport execution were higher than the current fee of \$25.

Question: Bottom line, how do I get my passport and how much do I have to pay now?

Passport services are provided by appointment only at the U.S. Embassy in Kingston. To make an appointment, please visit our website. To find out how much you will need to pay, please use our passport fee calculator at <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/passports/requirements/fees/fee-calculator.html> For more details, please visit our website at travel.state.gov Fees can be paid in cash or by card in both Jamaican and American dollars. If you have any questions, please contact us at KingstonACS@state.gov.

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