

Witnesses

A member of one of the professions listed below can witness your passport application form as long as they are satisfied as to your identity and that your four photos are a true likeness of you. Make sure you bring photo identification with you and be aware that the witness may ask you for more proof of identification - this is at their discretion.

Witnesses (Certificate of Identity – Section 9 and Consent of Parents or Guardians – Section 7)

- Police Officer
- Member of Clergy
- Medical Doctor, Nurse, Pharmacist, Dentist, Vet
- Lawyer, Solicitor and Legal Executives (Registered with the Law Society or Institute of Legal Executives)
- Bank Official (this includes Building Societies, Credit Unions, Postmasters and Sub-Postmasters)
- Elected Public Representative (this includes Members of Parliament & County Councillors)
- Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Commissioner for Oaths, Peace Commissioner
- Social Worker
- Teacher, Lecturer
- Accountant

Please ensure you sign Section 8 in the presence of one of the professions as listed above. The witness **must** be resident in the United Kingdom.

The witness should sign and stamp the back of two of the photographs and insert the 8-digit form number displayed in Section 9. Please ensure the witness is easily contactable at their place of work and that they clearly print their address and contact number (mobiles not accepted). Your application will be returned if we are unable to contact the witness or the witness does not fully and accurately complete their section(s) of the application form. **The witness does not need to know the applicant for any length of time provided they are satisfied as to their identity.** If the witness does not have an official stamp then please ensure they sign and date the back of the photographs and include the 8-digit form number and sign and date Section 9 of the application form. A business card can additionally be enclosed if there is no official stamp available.