

# **The Consulate General of Finland in New York will bring the portable passport unit to Chicago from 12 to 14 March, 2019**

A passport must be applied for **in person**. An appointment is compulsory and can be requested by contacting the Honorary Consulate of Finland in Chicago:

**Honorary Consul Olavi Göös**

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A passport application can only be processed if the applicant's personal data (such as name, date/place of birth and citizenship) is correct and up-to-date in the Finnish Population Information System (Population Information Act 661/2009). E.g., name change due to marriage or a child born outside Finland has to be registered in the Finnish Population Information System before submitting a passport application. The information regarding personal data can be verified at the Local Register Office <http://www.maistraatti.fi> free of charge once a year.

## **The documents must be presented both in original and copy:**

- **Passport photo** max 6 months old taken according to Finnish police photo instructions ([www.poliisi.fi](http://www.poliisi.fi)): e.g., neutral facial expression, taken from front (no tilting one's head, not having chin too up/down), enough light backdrop above the head, not too dark/light, no reflection of the eyeglasses in front of the eyes, no hair covering the face, no retouching, must be a color photograph.

- **Previous Finnish passport** + copy of ID-page. If an applicant does not have a previous passport or it has expired, a valid ID + copy has to be presented (for instance Finnish identity card or US driver's license).

- Proof of Finnish **citizenship** e.g. US visa or Green Card + copy. Applicants who are dual/multi nationals shall confirm that their foreign citizenship is registered in the Finnish Population Registry. Otherwise, the applicant shall present a proof of the date when the foreign citizenship was obtained e.g. original or legalized US citizenship naturalization or a birth certificate + copy.

- **Male applicants between 17 and 30 years of age:** a document of military service status: e.g., military passport, certificate of exemption or suspension order + copy.

- **Applicants under 18 years of age** have to submit their ID + copy and their parents'/custodians' consent and IDs + copies with their passport application. At least one of the custodians must be present at the appointment; if both custodians are not present at the appointment, a written consent from the absent custodian must be presented at the appointment, dated, signed and including the custodian's contact information and copy of ID.

- **Passport fee** (to be verified on the Consulate General's web site at the beginning of March) + **FedEx dispatch fee 10 USD:** exact amount to be paid with one **Money Order** to Consulate General of Finland. **No credit cards, cash or personal checks.**

**Address** of the mobile passport office is **2246 West Homer Street, 60647 Chicago, Illinois.**

## **Further information concerning passport applications:**

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*Passport applications can be submitted in Finland at the local police station <http://www.poliisi.fi>*

*The Consulate General of Finland in New York reserves the right to cancel/reschedule the trip at any time due to technical reasons.*