

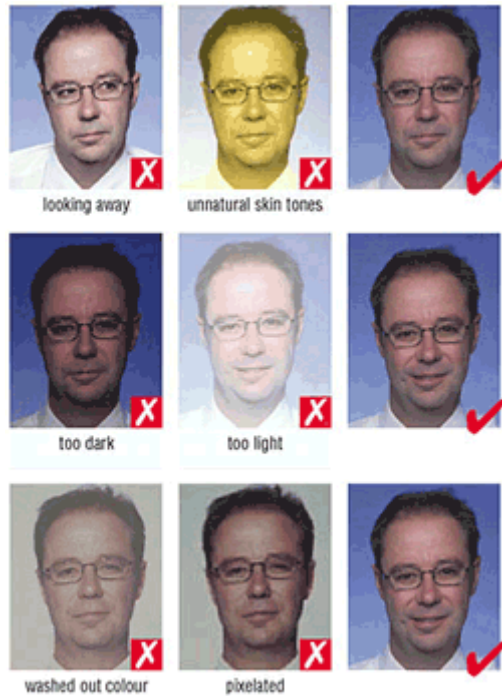
PHOTO SPECIFICATIONS

Photograph Quality



The photographs must be:

- No more than 6-months old
- 35-40mm in width
- Close up of your head and top of your shoulders so that your face takes up 70 -80% of the photograph
- In sharp focus and clear
- Of high quality with no ink marks or creases



The photographs must:

- Show you looking directly at the camera
- Show your skin tones naturally
- Have appropriate brightness and contrast
- Be printed on high quality paper, and at high resolution Photographs taken with a digital camera must be high quality colour and printed on photo-quality paper.

Style and lighting



hair across eyes

eyes closed



portrait style

eyes tilted



busy background

not centred



flash reflection on skin

red eye



shadows behind head

shadows across face

The photographs must be:

- Be colour neutral
- Show your eyes open and clearly visible-no hair across your eyes
- Show you facing square on to the camera, not looking over one shoulder (portrait style) or tilted, and showing both edges of your face clearly
- Be taken with a plain light-coloured background
- Be taken with uniform lighting and not show shadows or flash reflections on your face and no red eye

Glasses and head covers



dark tinted lenses

flash reflection on lenses



frames too heavy

frames covering eyes



wearing a hat

wearing a cap



face covered

shadows across face

If you wear glasses:

- Be colour neutral
- The photograph must show your eyes clearly with no flash reflection off the glasses, and no tinted lenses (if possible, avoid heavy frames - wear lighter framed glasses if you have them)
- Make sure that the frames do not cover any part of your eyes.

Head coverings:

- Are not permitted except for religious reasons, but your facial features from bottom of chin to top of forehead and both edges of your face must be clearly shown.

Expression and frame



Your photographs must:

- Show you alone (no chair backs, toys or other people visible), looking at the camera with a neutral expression and your mouth closed.