

Embassy of the Republic of Croatia, Canberra (Consulate General of the Republic of Croatia, Auckland, New Zealand)

How to Apply for / Renew a Croatian Passport

In line with the recommendation of the *ICAO* (*International Civil Aviation Organization*) and *EU Council Regulation* of 13.12.2004, the Republic of Croatia introduced Biometric Passports. Biometric Passports provide a greater protection against fraudulent misuse and the risk of identity theft since it integrates the facial image in a chip and deploy fingertips.

Process of Application

- 1. Applications for a Croatian passport should be <u>submitted in person</u>, except for a child (less than 12 years old) for whom a parent can lodge an application.
- 2. The applicant will need to provide:
 - a fully completed and signed **passport application form** (provided by Consular officer)
 - Citizenship requirements:

If the applicant is applying for a Croatian passport for the first time (or his/her Croatian passport has already expired) the applicant has to present their original "Domovnica" and original "Birth Certificate". (If you present the originals, consular officer can make certified copies). If it is a foreign Birth Certificate, it needs to be translated into the Croatian language.

Croatian citizens who still have a valid Croatian passport at the time of application for new one, need to bring just the valid Croatian passport.

- Identification requirements:
 - **New Zealand passport, Driver's Licence** (if the applicant does not have a valid Croatian ID card or a valid Croatian passport)
- **Proof of address requirements**: Driver's Licence or some documents on which is **applicant's address**. (Please note that if you haven't reported a change of your residence in Croatia, you may still have your Croatian address which will appear at your Croatian passport.)
- One passport photograph (dimension 35x45 mm they have to comply with the international standards for biometric passport photos plain, white background, mouth closed, good quality colours, gloss prints, no shades, etc).
- If you have old Croatian passport which expired, you have to bring it in order for it to be cancelled.
- 3. The **consular fee** for passport for a person 21 years and older is 165 NZD and for person younger than 21 years is 123 NZD. (a copy of the bank slip must be enclosed with the application).

If you are providing a Croatian citizenship certificate (Domovnica) and Birth Certificate and your current name has changed since the certificate was issued (or your Croatian ID Card has expired), please contact the Consular officer to discuss your application and the documents required particular to your situation.

For further information please do not hesitate to contact us at the following email addresses: crocons.auckland@mvep.hr or <a href="mailto:crocons.auc

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