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Re: Recommendation
U.S. PASSPORT RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS

On the first page of the Application one has three choices for the document application.

1. U.S. Passport Book
2. U.S. Passport Card
3. Both

On the Acts Or Conditions page, ELECTRONIC PASSPORT STATEMENT, talks about the issuance of a type of passport book containing an embedded electronic chip and called an "Electronic Passport."

My recommendation is to either add this item onto the first page, or if this item replaces any or all of the items on said page to make this correction. Since there is no provision of selecting the Electronic Passport on the first page it might be considered to make the improvement to the process of Application.

I found this confusing and took several minutes to make a decision on the choices on page 1 and to consider the benefits of the "Electronic Passport."

Sincerely,



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From: PPTFormsOfficer
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2013 4:25 PM
To: 'wbojan@embarqmail.com'
Subject: DS-82 Public Comment
Attachments: [Untitled].pdf

Dear Mr. Bojan,

Thank you for your comment in response to the 60-day Federal Register Notice for the proposed DS-82: *U.S. Passport Renewal Application for Eligible Individuals*.

In the attached letter, you state that while completing the DS-82 form you were confused about which type of passport to select because the instructions refer to “a type of electronic passport book containing an embedded electronic chip and called an “Electronic Passport.” In fact, all passport books issued by the U.S. Department of State at this point in time are Electronic Passports Books that contain an embedded electronic chip. The Electronic Passport Statements in the Instructions sections in all Public-Use Passport Forms do not state this fact clearly.

Therefore, the first sentence of the Electronic Passport Statement in the DS-82 as well as all other Public-Use Passport Forms will be changed from “The U.S. Department of State now issues a type of passport book containing an embedded electronic chip called an “Electronic Passport” to state that “The U.S. Department of State now issues passport books containing an embedded electronic chip called an “Electronic Passport.”

I hope this modification will address the concerns raised in your letter.

Thank you for your interest in the U.S. Department of State Passport Forms, and we value your constructive comments on this important issue.

Regards,

PPTFormsOfficer