<u>Easy instructions to apply for your passport online</u> Please follow the steps below to minimize passport processing delays

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Use 000-00-0000 for a new born or applicant without social security numbers. (notify your agent)
- **Expedite options** are not available on this site for official and no fee passport, please do not utilize this option.
- Updates to procedures are made often by US Department of State. Instructions are current as of Oct 2017.
- You may not apply for an official Passport Card. Passports are limited to 28 pages (diplomatic books exempt)

ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Go to following passport link: <u>https://travel.state.gov/</u>
- 2. Click on U.S. Passport. On the following page click on GET STARTED.
- 3. STOP and READ instructions 4 through 6 before answering any Department of State questions.

4. You will complete 5 categories: Confirm Eligibility, Calculate Cost, Collect Documents, Get a Photo, and

Complete Forms & Submit Application. How you answer these questions will determine what form(s) will be completed.

- 5. <u>Confirm Eligibility</u>: Please provide responses to the questions presented.
- 6. Complete Forms & Submit Application category: Make sure you click on Complete online & Print.
- 7. After review, click v on the box "I have read... Notices and Disclaimers", then click the **SUBMIT** BUTTON.
- 8. Select the appropriate block of the service you are applying for by clicking the **SUBMIT BUTTON**.

9. The form will load. Fill in the requested information about the Applicant. To continue, click the **NEXT BUTTON.**

<u>Where to mail your Passport</u>: Please utilize the processing Passport Office mailing address. Your Passport will only be mailed to a DoD Passport Acceptance Agent. (responsible DoD passport office, contact agent for the address)
<u>Your Permanent Address</u>: You may <u>not</u> use an APO or PO Box. A home of record (HOR) or local address must Be provided in this section. (Your passport will not be mailed to this address) <u>Email Address</u>: Include a good email address. <u>Phone Number</u>: Include a good phone number. CLICK <u>NEXT</u> BUTTON to continue.

12. Provide travel plans if you have upcoming dates. (Highly Recommended) CLICK <u>NEXT</u> BUTTON to continue.

Emergency contact information is optional. (Highly Recommended) CLICK <u>NEXT</u> BUTTON to continue.
At the top of the page click on <u>PASSPORT BOOK</u> <u>Date of your most recent passport book issued</u>: Reference the information from your <u>MOST RECENTLY</u> issued PASSPORT BOOK/CARD, <u>regardless of type (Tourist, No-Fee, Official, Card, etc.)</u>. Select the option "The passport is in your possession" (as long as it is not lost, stolen, damaged, or mutilated.) the wizard will generate the correct form. CLICK <u>NEXT</u> BUTTON to continue. If

reporting a lost, stolen, damaged or mutilated passport reference this passport.

15. <u>Your Most Recent Passport</u>: you will be asked three questions. Depending on how you answer, the system may Ask for additional information. This information you provide must be accurate. **CLICK <u>NEXT</u> BUTTON to continue.**

16. <u>Are you known by other names</u>: This would be your <u>maiden</u> name or other names utilize. This information must Be provided. **CLICK <u>NEXT</u> BUTTON to continue**.

17. At the bottom of the Application Review screen, click the **PREVIEW FORM BUTTON**. Review your information. For first time applicants or for a minor under the age of 16, review <u>block Number 10</u>, (parents information) This block must contain the applicants **Parents Names at their birth (e.g. Maiden Name)**. If correct **CLICK NEXT BUTTON to continue.**

18. Select Passport book, card or both for the correct fee. **Do not utilize expedite options**. **CLICK NEXT BUTTON to continue. Please note** that **No-Fee Passports are No-Fee**, however you must select a fee block to continue.

19. Scroll to bottom of page, Click on the work box, "I have read and acknowledge the steps". Select the **CREATE FORM BUTTON to continue.**

20. Scroll down and select the options to **OPEN THE PDF FILE.** Review your information.

21. Review the form a final time and ensure that the Scan Bar appears in the upper left hand corner of the application.

22. Print the application pages, <u>single side paper</u>; provide the <u>Unsigned</u> application to the agent with all supporting documents. Once your application is fully reviewed and assembled by the agent you will be asked to SIGN.