

Ministry of Home Affairs has explained revised instruction/guidelines on ***"Re-issuance of OCI cards due to Issuance of new foreign passports to OCI cardholders"***.

2. The Salient points are as follows:

(i) Mandatory requirement of re-issuance of an OCI card **each time** a new passport is issued to a foreigner upto **20 years of age** and **once** after completing **50 years of age** is **dispensed** with.

(ii) OCI cardholder is required to get the OCI card **re-issued only once** when a new passport is issued after completing **20 years of age**.

(iii) OCI cardholder is required to **upload ONLINE** a copy of the **new passport and a latest photo each time** a new passport is issued upto 20 years of age and **once** after completing 50 years of age. The uploading of these documents may be done within **three months** of receipt of the new passport. The service will be provided on **Gratis** basis.

(iv) Foreign Spouse of an Indian Citizen or spouse of foreign origin of an OCI cardholder are required to upload a copy of the **new passport and also a latest photo ONLINE** each time a new passport is issued along with a declaration on subsisting of marriage, copy of the Indian passport of the Indian spouse/passport & OCI card of the OCI cardholder spouse.