

Renewal/Re-issue of OCI Card

OCI CARD RE-ISSUE GUIDELINES

OCI cardholders are advised to note the following guidelines regarding cases in which **re-issuance of OCI card** is required:

(1) WHEN TO APPLY FOR RE-ISSUE OF OCI CARD

An application for re-issuance of OCI card may be made in the following cases:

1. If the OCI cardholder acquired the OCI card **before attaining the age of 20 years** and has obtained a **new passport after attaining the age of 20 years**.
2. If the OCI card is **lost or damaged**.
3. If there is **change in name**, for whatever reason, including change in name after marriage.
4. If there is **change in nationality**, provided the new nationality is not that of **Pakistan or Bangladesh**.
5. If there is any **updation/correction required in the existing OCI card**. The OCI cardholder would be required to provide suitable documentary proof for carrying out the necessary correction.

(2) Submission of Application

1. The Consulate does **not** accept OCI applications directly. An OCI application is considered submitted only after the completed application, along with all required supporting documents, is physically submitted to **M/s VFS Global**, which will verify the documents and forward the application to the Consulate for processing.
2. Applications may be submitted through VFS Global at:
<https://services.vfsglobal.com/usa/en/ind/apply-oci-services>
3. The above link also contains information regarding procedure, document checklist and applicable fee.
4. Applicants are advised to ensure that all requisite documents, as per the checklist available on the VFS Global website, are in hand prior to submitting the OCI application, so as to avoid delay in processing or return of the application due to incomplete documentation.

